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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Viewpoint Changed

MR Foster Dulles' new-found confidence in the eventual unification of Western Europe is a matter for satisfaction. That the American Secretary of State is able to render favourable report on his tour of the countries which have signed the European Defence Community treaty also illustrates the value of an on-the-spot investigation to correct preconceptions. Before he and Mr Stassen left the United States for Europe, Mr Dulles gave the impression that he was going to wield the big stick in order to bring the EDC signatories to a full sense of their responsibilities. But the indications are that Mr Dulles discovered there was little real cause for chastisement. Ratification of such a far-reaching institutional treaty as the EDC cannot be expected quickly. Federation may be the most obvious action in the eyes of Americans, but it is not such a simple undertaking for nations whose traditions have for so long been based on sovereign independence, whose languages differ, and whose constitutions vary. That it has been possible to agree to establish a defence community, and to create an economic partnership such as the coal and steel pool community, represent developments of profound importance.

MR Dulles now believes that the European Defence Community will be ratified by its six signatories. But if this does not transpire immediately he and American public opinion must not become impatient. Strong and quite genuine prejudices remain against the proposed European Army—particularly in France. The opposition cannot be brushed aside as being something illogical or inconsequential. And it can probably only be won over if the United States Administration makes it clear that while the European countries are prepared to offer a maximum contribution towards unification, America is willing to continue to render the fullest possible assistance. It may be taken for granted this point was given due emphasis by the EDC signatories during discussions with Mr Dulles, and that he, himself, is not unaware of the necessity for the quid pro quo.

RUSSIAN LEGATION WRECKED

BY BOMB

Several Officials Gravely Injured NIGHT OUTRAGE IN TEL AVIV

Tel Aviv, Feb. 9.

The wife of the Soviet Minister to Israel, Madame Pavel Ershov, was among several Soviet citizens taken to hospital here tonight when a bomb exploded in the Soviet Legation here and completely wrecked the building.

At least four officials of the Legation were said to have been gravely hurt, but Legation officials prevented Israeli police from entering the wreckage of the building in order to remove the injured. As a result ambulance crews had to wait outside.

Damage inside the Legation was said to be considerable and unconfirmed reports said that the explosion—probably instigated by former Jewish terrorists—was caused by a bomb of great explosive power that had been placed in position through a hole bored in the wall of the Legation. It was believed to have been touched off from outside by an electrically-controlled detonator.

The explosion was understood to have completely wrecked two rooms in the Legation.

In addition to Madame Ershov, who is said to be progressing, the known casualties were another woman, a member of the Legation staff and the Legation's chauffeur.

The outrage followed a violent anti-Soviet outcry throughout the whole country as a result of the 'Jewish Doctors' Plot' announced by the Russians in January.

Many injured persons were believed to have been trapped in the debris of the wrecked Legation building.

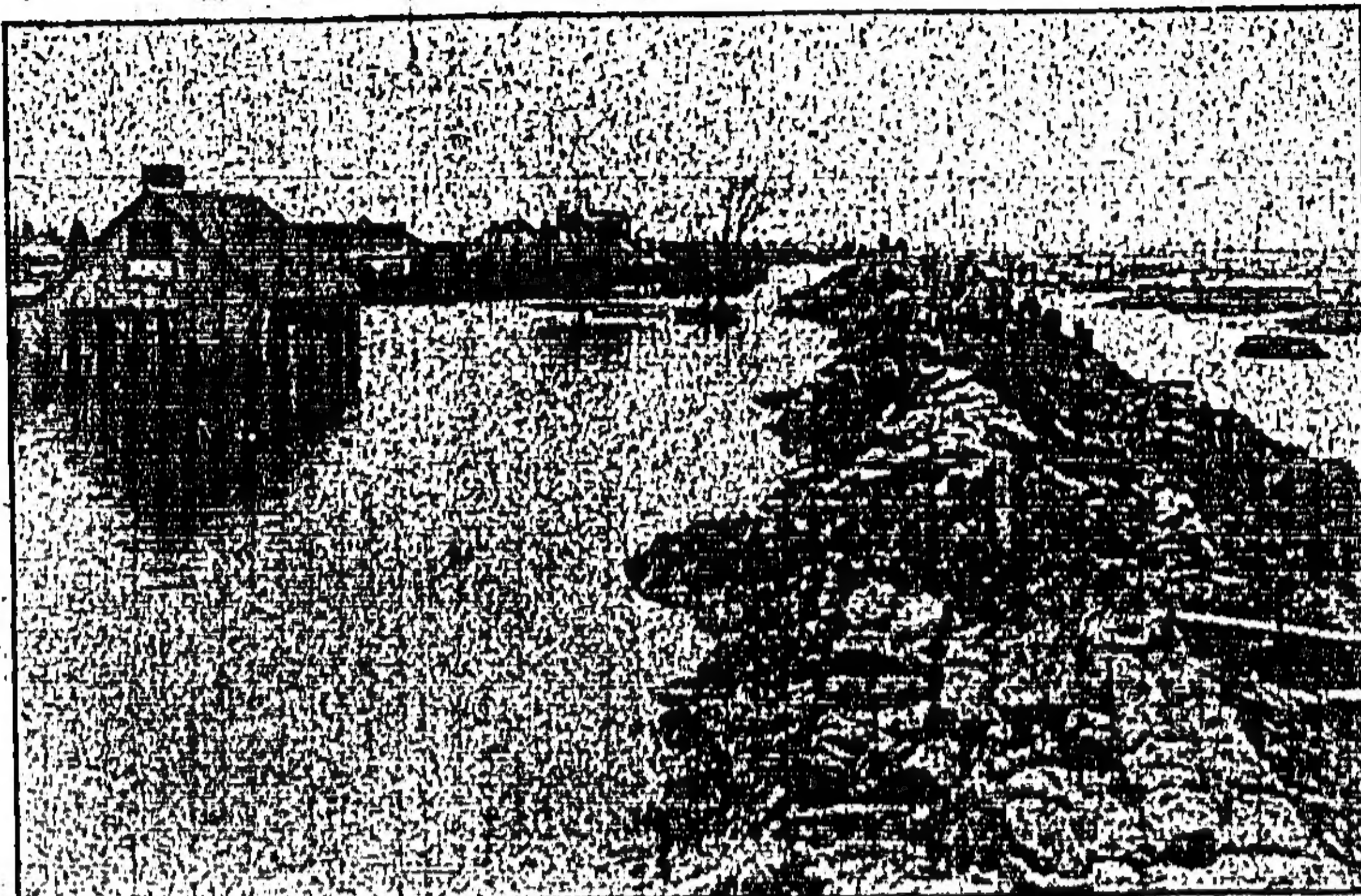
Three ambulances were rushed to the scene as soon as the outrage had been reported.

The four seriously injured officials were removed to hospital. Police forbade the hospital authorities to reveal any details as to their identity.

Former groups of terrorists, who operated against the British during the mandate in Palestine, have recently been sending threatening messages to the Soviet Legation, which, it was understood, had not taken them seriously.

An official of the Legation would only say that there had been a violent explosion and that the damage was serious. He refused to give any more information.—France-Press.

The Battle Of The Breaches



STOP PRESS

SOUTH AFRICA 402 FOR 3

Melbourne, Feb. 10.
An invaluable seventh wicket stand by Cheetham and Mansell, which realised 111 runs, brought South Africa's score in the fifth and final Test match against Australia today to 402 at the luncheon adjournment for eight wickets.

Both Cheetham and Mansell, after giving a magnificent batting display, were dismissed in the last over of the morning—victims of Bill Johnston.

Mansell went first, leg before, after carrying his over-night score of 10 to 22 and Cheetham was dismissed three balls later—the last ball of the morning—when he nicked to McDonald after scoring 66. He was 27 not out last night.—Reuter.

Embassy Officials Ordered To Leave

Belgrade, Feb. 9.

Yugoslavia today gave three top ranking officials of the Bulgarian Embassy here five days to clear out of the country.

The action, close to but not quite a formal diplomatic break, represents a new low point in relations between Yugoslavia and the Russian-dominated Cominform satellite east of her.

It was taken in retaliation against what the Yugoslav government has termed "insulting discrimination" against Yugoslavia's diplomats in Sofia.

The Yugoslav Foreign Office, in a formal note 10 days ago, set today as a deadline for equalising the status of the Yugoslav mission in Sofia with that of Bulgaria's mission in Belgrade.

DEMANDS REJECTED
The Bulgarian government subsequently replied. Details of the answer were not disclosed here, but it obviously rejected Yugoslavia's demands.

The Yugoslav government's Information Service called the reply "unsatisfactory" and said that the terms of the note of 10 days ago would be carried out. Those called for the ouster within five days of Bulgaria's present Embassy Councillor here, her Military Attaché and her first Secretary. In effect, the action will leave only token diplomatic relations between Yugoslavia and its Balkan neighbour. Neither country has an Ambassador on duty in the other's capital.

It will cut the Bulgarian diplomatic representation here down to a single attaché. Yugoslavia has had only one attaché in Sofia since last June, when other members of the staff there were expelled.—Associated Press.

Jewish Boy Beaten Up

Newton, Mass., Feb. 9.

Five teenagers, accused of beating Edward Berger, 14, because he was a Jew, were arraigned at the special Juvenile Court session today on 27 charges, including assault with a dangerous weapon, disturbing the peace and possession of illegal weapons.

The youths, quickly rounded up after the attack on Berger on Saturday night, made no plea and were ordered to be held on \$500 bail each until the hearing on February 27.

The police chief, Philip Purcell, said he intended to minimise the racial and religious aspects of the case.—United Press.

N.Y. Vice Trial PUBLIC AND PRESS BARRED

New York, Feb. 9.

The Press and the public were barred today from the vice trial of Minot Jelke by Judge Francis Valente, who said that he ruled "in the interests of our youth and to prevent catering to vulgar sensationalism if not actual depravity."

The Judge ruled that the "People's Case"—the Prosecution—should remain secret but friends and relatives of Jelke would be allowed to hear the evidence. The defence's case would, presumably, be aired in an open court but there was no specific ruling.

Judge Valente said that he had watched for weeks "with growing uneasiness mushrooming public anticipation of lurid and salacious details." He added that he was led to believe that the case would be "stepped in filth" from what he heard when the Assistant District Attorney, Mr. Anthony Leibler, delivered his opening statement to the Jury on Friday, particularly concerning 19-year-old Auburn hunk Pat Ward and her expected testimony that she made between \$10,000 and \$15,000 in some 20 weeks of work as a prostitute for Jelke.

Judge Valente noted that publicity on the trial had even been reported in a ship's newspaper somewhere in the Atlantic last Summer and that it later displaced the Presidential message from front pages.

He said that he also had been shocked to note that the Press of three continents were on hand to report the trial.

"The reaction of this Court to all the foregoing was revulsion and nausea," Judge Valente said.—United Press.

Cause Of Fires Still Mystery

London, Feb. 9.

Transport Minister Alan Lennox-Boyd told the House of Commons today that inquiries had so far failed to find the cause of the fires which broke out on the liner Queen Elizabeth at Southampton on January 28 and 29.

The fires did little damage but they worried police and shipping companies because they came only three days after fire gutted another trans-Atlantic giant, the Empress of Canada, as she lay in dry dock at Liverpool.—Reuter.

Farmers Picket A Dairy

Dublin, Feb. 9.

Sixteen Irish farmers were arrested today while picketing a dairy in a 12-day strike for more money for their milk. The farmers, remanded on bail, were charged with unlawful assembly and obstruction.—Reuter.

Holland May Build A "Closed Coastline"

The Hague, Feb. 9.

Holland may give her vulnerable island situated province of Zeeland a "closed coastline" to prevent repetition of last week's flood disaster, Premier Willem Drees announced tonight.

This would mean shutting all the sea arms except the Scheldt Estuary and the outlet of Rotterdam, he said in a note to members of Parliament.

The giant reclamation scheme in the Zuider Zee may have to be slowed down.

Stops are to be taken to make warning and aid services more reliable, the Premier stated. He gave these estimates of the country's losses: 4,395 dead—"further increase feared"; 133,000 acres of cultivated soil flooded;

Between 40,000 and 50,000 cattle, pigs, sheep, and horses and 100,000 fowls lost.

He said reconstruction would be put on a "war damage" footing and that the Government would pay the bill for damage to private property not covered by insurance.—Reuter.

BLIZZARDS FOLLOW

Amsterdam, Feb. 9.

New blizzards driving like icy whiplashes over the Dutch floodlands brought further hazards and misery today to the men repairing Holland's shattered dykes.

The wind-whipped water, snow and ice complicated the engineering problems of the ceaseless effort to end temporarily the vast protective network before the next flood tides on February 16. Government engineers thought they could do the job.

The rough weather, however, threatened to ground Dutch, American and British planes flying in vital supplies. The men handling the picks and shovels were chilled by the bitter cold.

Despite bad weather, three of Holland's young Princesses flew over the snow-famed flood areas on Sunday. Their father, Prince Bernhard, sent Princesses Beatrix, 35, Irene, 15, and Margriet, 10, into the sky because, he explained, young as they were, he felt they should see how much their country had suffered.

Thousands of workers—Services and civilian—are desperately working to fill the breaches made by the floods along Britain's east and southeast coastline. These two pictures above show men of the Royal Air Force getting on with the difficult task at Canvey Island, one of the worst hit areas. They are sealing with sandbags some of the 40 gaps torn in the sea defences.—Central Press Photographs.

The toll on the dykes went forward without cease. The three-nation air fleet braved the worsening weather to continue their air-drops. Among supplies they delivered during the day were 40,000 sandbags, rubber boats, boots, lamps and other equipment.

Other crews continued pumping the salty water from the vast flooded areas, preparatory to beginning the battle to reclaim the once fertile acres and to strengthen the dyke system so that never again would the sea breach it.—Associated Press.

\$5,000 DONATION

London, Feb. 9.

Cardinal Francis Spellman, Archbishop of New York, has personally donated \$5,000 for flood relief in Britain, the Foreign Office announced here today.

The Cardinal has presented the money to Sir Roger Makins, British Ambassador to the United States.—Reuter.

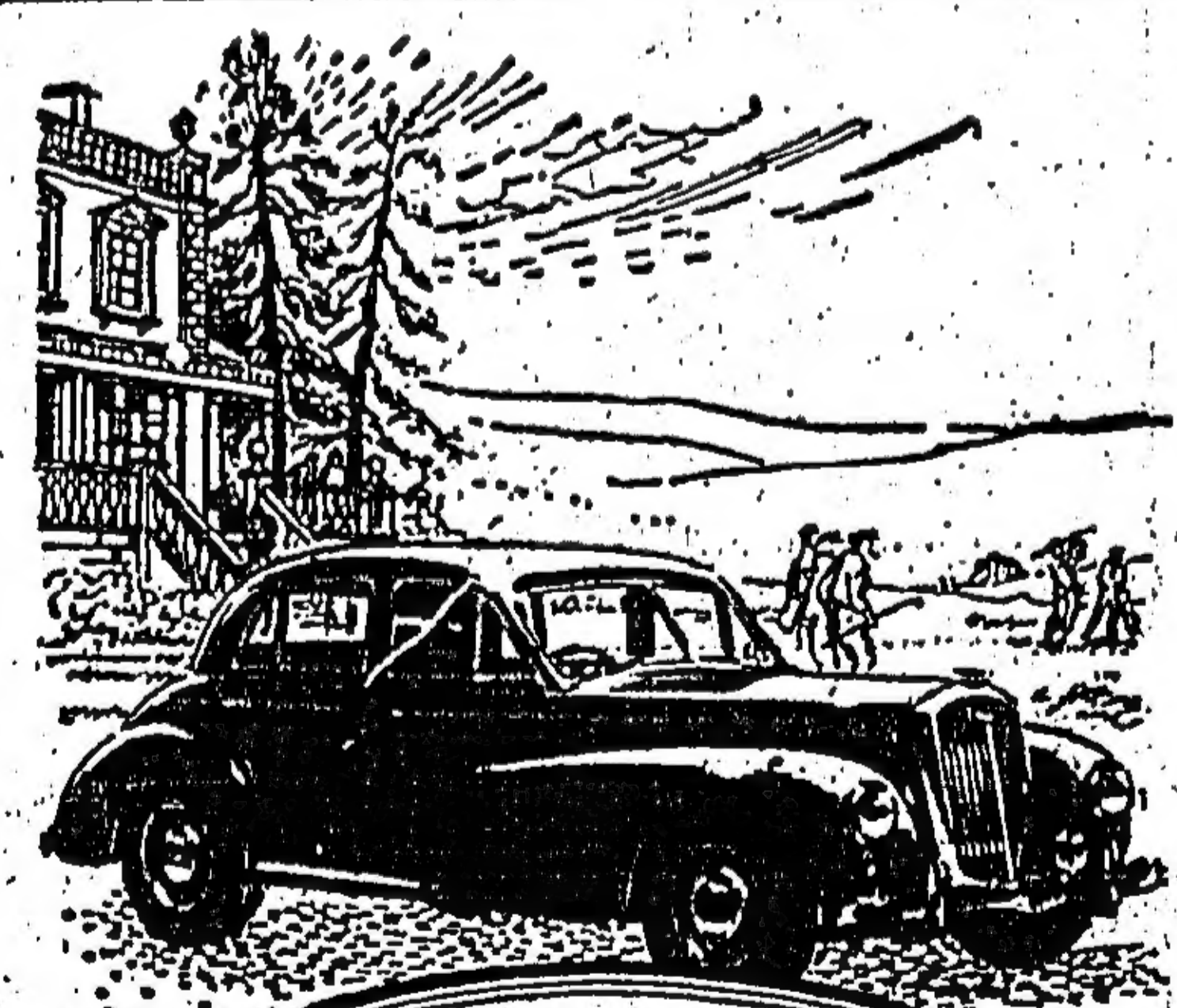
Vice Squads Use Tear Gas

Salzburg, Feb. 9.

United States Army vice squads used tear gas here last night to separate negro soldiers from woman companions, the Army said here today.

Helped by Austrian police, they rounded up 25 unregistered prostitutes in raids on the outskirts of Salzburg. Negro soldiers with the women attacked the police and tear gas was used to get them under control.

Several soldiers were arrested and taken to the Roeder army camp near here.—Reuter.



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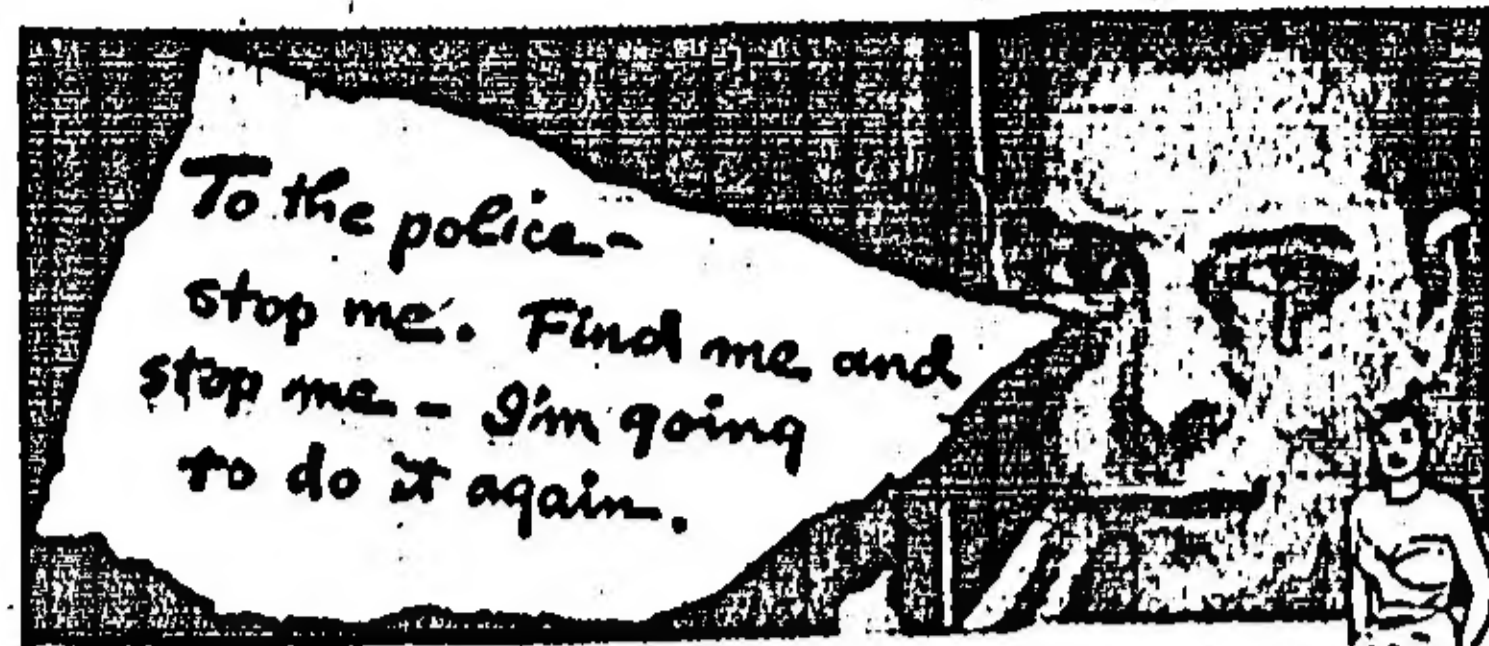
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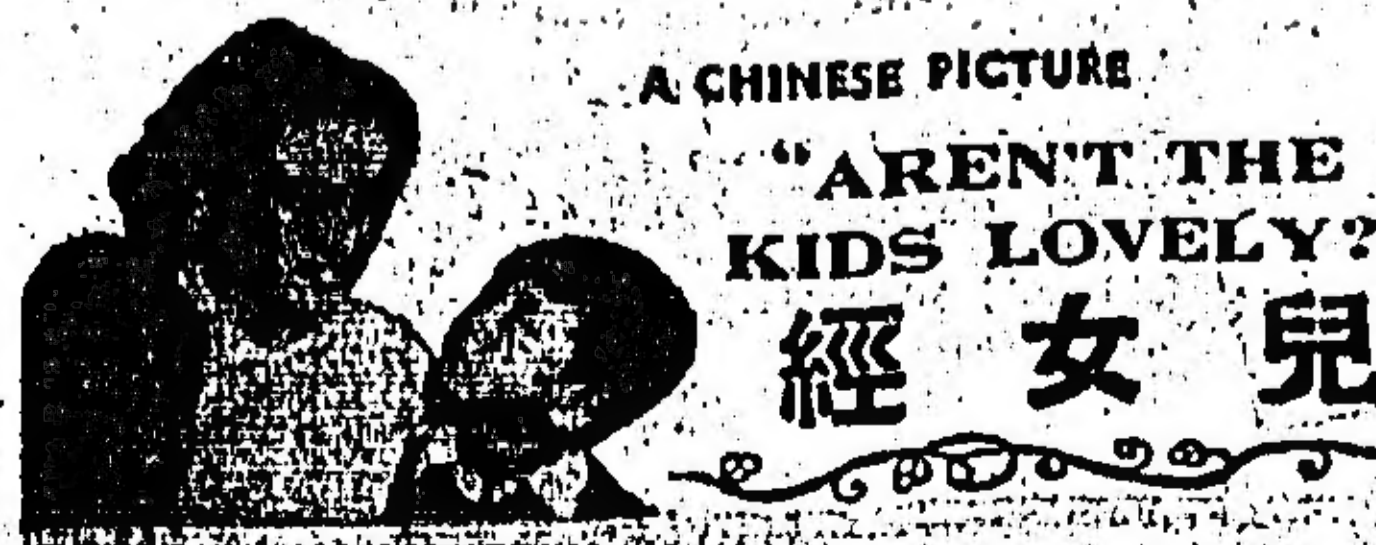
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Britain Opposes U.S. On Yalta Pact Repudiation

Would Set A Bad Precedent

London, Feb. 9. The United States has told Britain it favours scrapping the secret wartime pact ceding Japan's Kurile Islands and South Sakhalin to Russia, informed officials said today.

Britain is reported to be against the move although ready to admit the status of two islands in the Kurile group is "doubtful". The two islands under Russian occupation are Shikotin and Habbomai.

In response to a British inquiry during the conference last week, the American Secretary of State, John Foster Dulles, made his Government's view known. He explained that President Eisenhower was referring, indirectly, to a part of the Yalta Agreement when he said in his State of the Union speech on February 2 that the U.S. would not recognize secret understandings permitting the "enclavement" of any peoples.

A section of the Yalta pact kept secret at the time promised that Russia would get back the Kuriles and South Sakhalin when peace was made with Japan. Russia occupied the islands at the end of the war. They belonged to Russia before the Japanese-Russian War at the turn of the century.

The view of the Foreign Office is that the intended American act of repudiation is academic at this time.

For one thing, the informants said, Russia controls the islands in fact and in law. (de facto and de jure).

whether they belong to the Kurile group. They are shown on some maps to be within the group. On others they are shown outside the group.

The Foreign Office refused to comment today on Tokyo reports saying the U.S. is "favourably" considering a Japanese request for the non-military administration of Okinawa, and the Bonin and other islands in the Pacific under American occupation. Officials presumed Britain would be consulted if the Japanese request involves an amendment to the peace treaty.—Associated Press.

17 WOMEN BRUTALLY MURDERED

Hanover, Feb. 9. West German Police have founded a special commission to investigate 17 brutal killings of women along West Germany's super-highway—the "Autobahn". The Police thought last November that the murderer was caught when they arrested 32-year-old Bernhard Prigan at Mannheim on November 17. Prigan, as evidence showed, had admitted having brutally killed at least three girls and women along the Autobahn. The Police officially described him as a "sex maniac".

But while the Police were still busy trying to collect evidence to prove that Prigan was also responsible for more than a dozen similar killings, another woman was brutally murdered only a few feet away from the super-highway. The Police said that special investigators would work from Mannheim, in south-west Germany, to intensify the hunt for "Killer 2". He is believed to be a large somewhere on West Germany's highways.—United Press.



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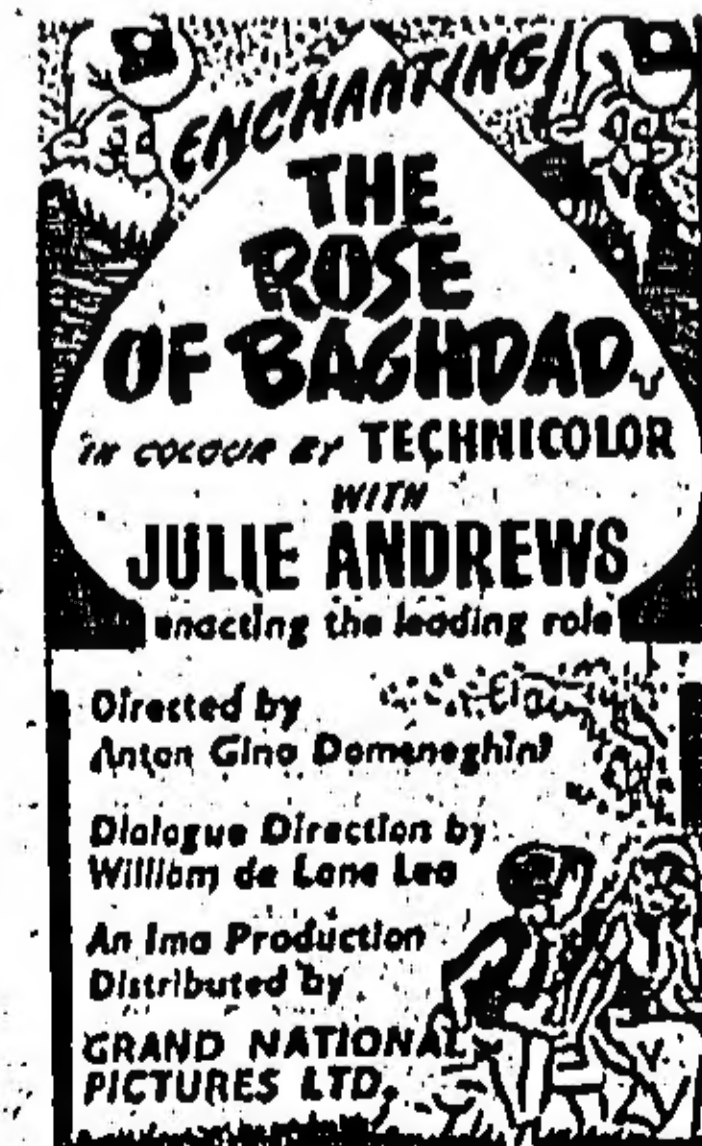


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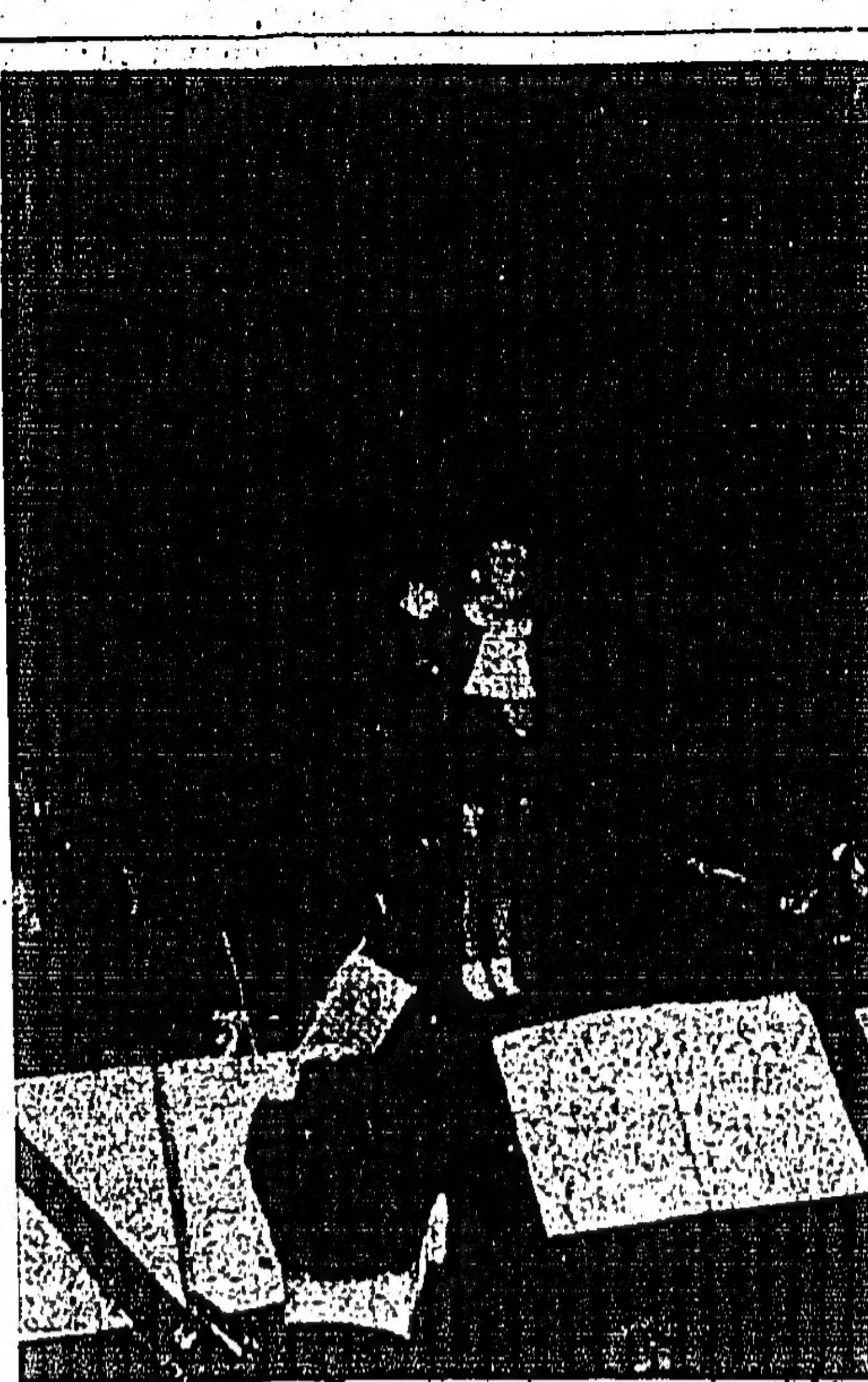
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No Tax Cut Agreed By Republican Leaders

Washington, Feb. 9. President Eisenhower and Republican Congressional leaders agreed today on an 11-point legislative programme including Taft-Hartley labour law revisions and the Tideland Bill but reached no decision on taxes.

Senate Republican leader Robert Taft said after a two-hour White House conference that taxes were discussed but added that there obviously would have to be tax legislation but that both he and President Eisenhower felt that there should be no tax cut until the budget was balanced.

Mr. Taft said that while taxes were not included in the 11-point list that would have to be considered at this session, some kind of tax legislation definitely would be passed. He added that such legislation might include a bill to ration present taxes or a pending one to cut personal income taxes five and a half per cent this year.

Mr. Taft said that he did not feel that excess profits tax should be allowed to expire on June 30 as scheduled. But he said that if this Congress wished he expected the House and the Senate to permit excess profits tax and an 11 per cent individual income tax increase to die together.

The 11 per cent income tax increase was voted shortly after the Korean war started and is due to expire soon, Chairman Daniel Reed of the Tax, Banking House Ways and Means Committee has introduced a bill to move the expiration date up to June 30.—United Press.

Tracking Down The Weather

Florence, Feb. 10. Weather experts from America, Britain, France, Turkey, Greece and Italy will meet at Allied Air Forces Southern Europe headquarters here today to discuss increased cooperation between weather organizations in the Mediterranean area.—Reuter.

Eisenhower Under Fire On Mrs. Luce's Post

Washington, Feb. 9. The Protestant Church Group has challenged the new administration to say whether Clare Boothe Luce is "openly or covertly" to become a diplomatic representative to the Vatican.

President Eisenhower has named Mrs. Luce as Ambassador to Italy. Glenn Archer, Executive Director, sent a message to the President and members of the Senate:

"Mrs. Luce is a lady of distinction and ability but what will her job be? Newspapers say as Ambassador to Italy she is expected also to maintain close association with the Vatican."

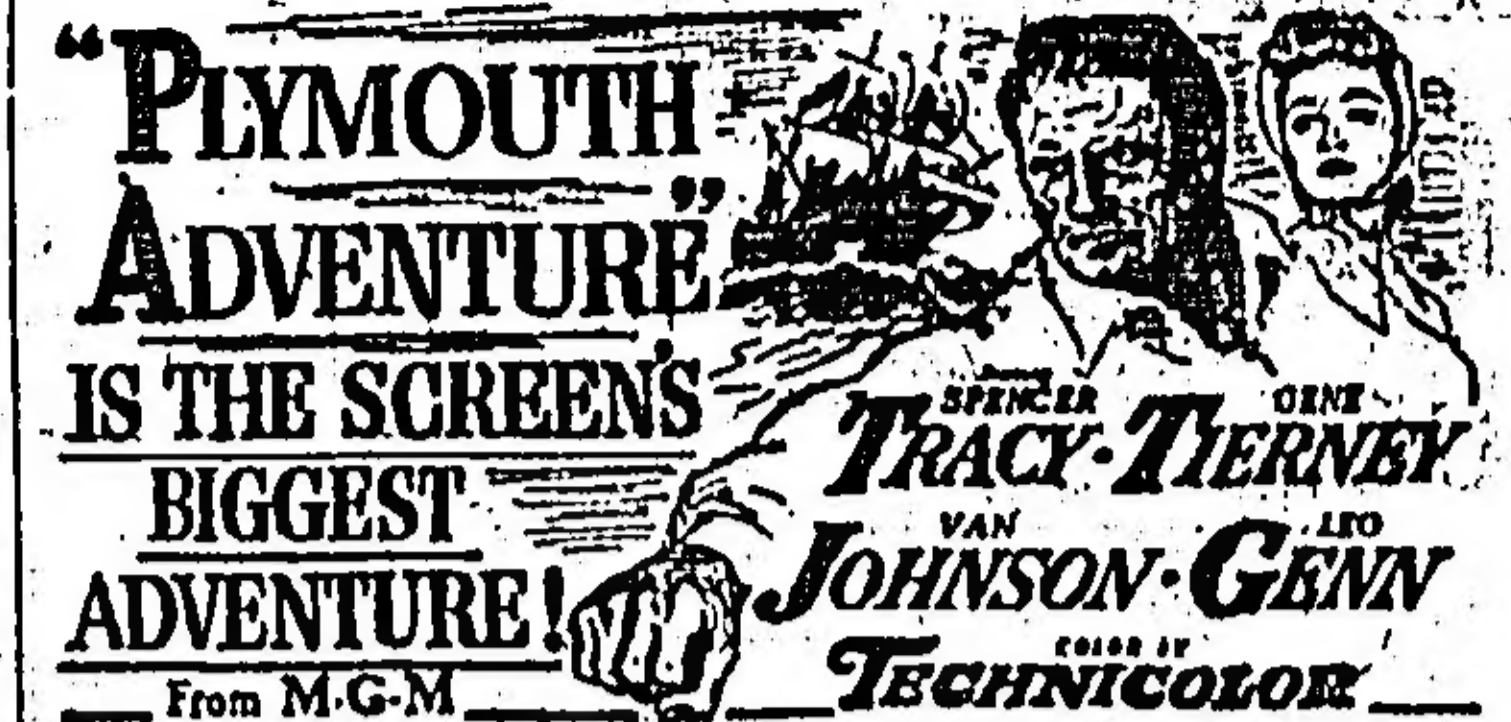
"Surely the leaders of the new administration aren't going to make the error of attempting openly or covertly to resume a diplomatic alliance with the Vatican. This type of alliance has been overwhelmingly repudiated by the American people..."—Associated Press.

Death Of India's Defence Minister

Madras, Feb. 10. India's Defence Minister, Sir N. Gopalaswami Ayyangar, died here early today.—Reuter.

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U.S. Ambassador Gets Knuckle Rap In Washington

GLOOMY COMMENT ON PERSIA OUTLOOK

Washington, Feb. 9.

The State Department today dissociated itself from a letter sent by Mr. J. Rives Childs, retiring United States Ambassador to Ethiopia, that partition of Persia might be inevitable.

Mr. Childs, for many years a State Department specialist on Near East affairs, said the United States faced the alternative of seeing the Russians take over all of Persia or "if we are sufficiently farsighted" only the northern half.

The statement was made in a letter to Mr. Henry Byrond, Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern, South Asian and African Affairs.

A State Department spokesman said today the views in Mr. Childs' letter were purely his own and not those of the United States Government.

"The Department reports that the letter should not have been made public," he added.

The New York Times' chief correspondent reported in a dispatch from Lisbon that the letter said the United States "should, with or without the concurrence of the British, lend every possible support to a Persian Government sympathetic to the Western world in the southern half of Persia."

DOWN THE DRAIN

The correspondent said the letter written by Mr. J. Rives Childs was sent to the State Department and copies were sent to several United States diplomatic missions abroad.

The Ambassador's recommendations were personal, he said, and did not in any sense constitute official United States policy.

"The correspondent quoted Mr. Childs' letter as saying in part: 'Persia is destined to fall and is falling into anarchy. The money we are pouring into Persia is money thrown down a drain.'"

Steel Pool Under Way

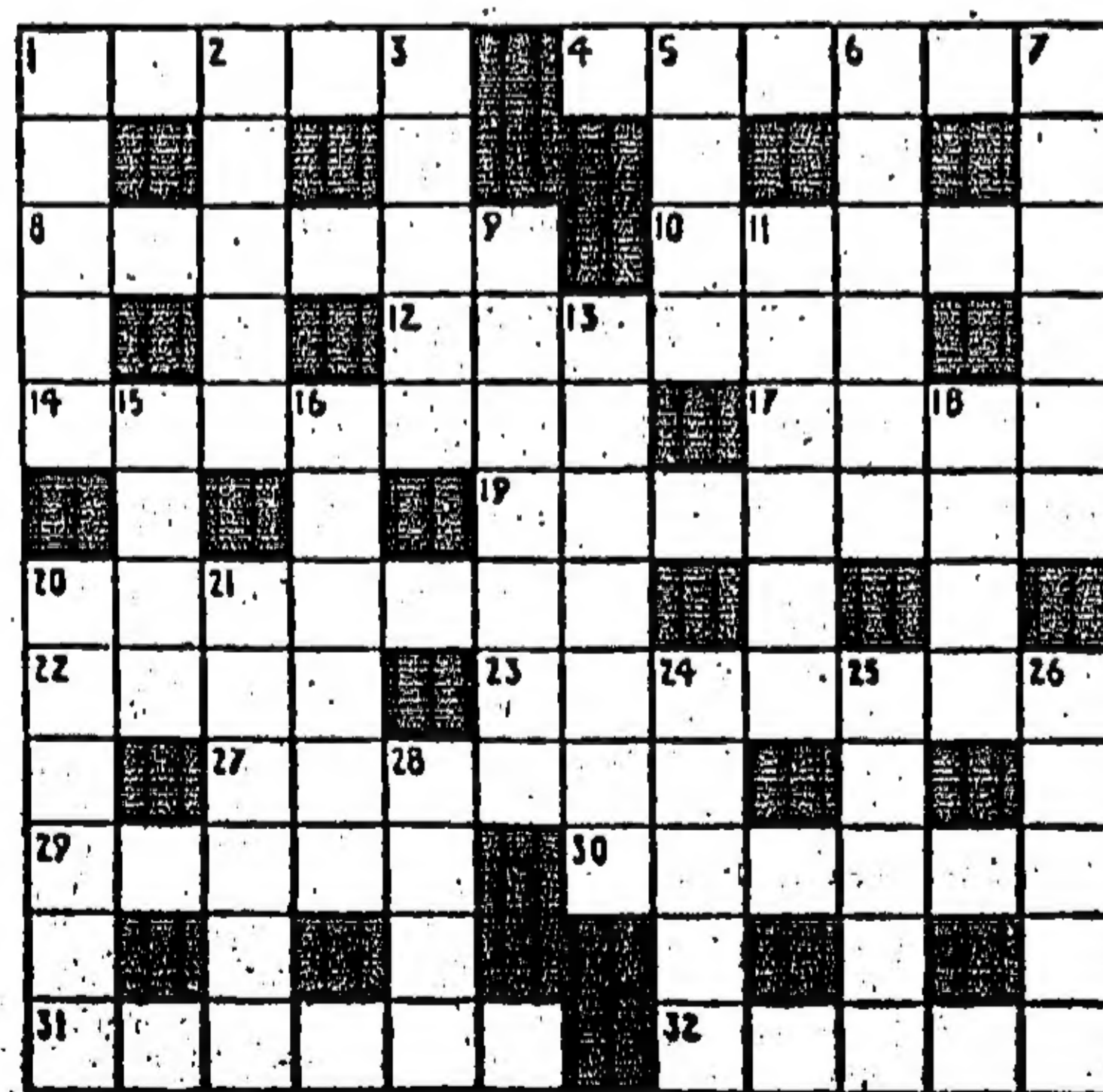
Luxemburg, Feb. 10. Europe's first common market will come into being today when the governing body of the European Coal and Steel Community opens a single market for coal, iron ore and scrap.

This was announced by M. Jean Monnet, President of the Community at a press conference here last night.

All Customs duties, quotas, double pricing and transport discriminations will come to an end among the six-member nations—Belgium, France, Holland, Italy, Luxembourg and West Germany.

M. Monnet also announced that a similar common market for steel would be established on April 10.—Reuter.

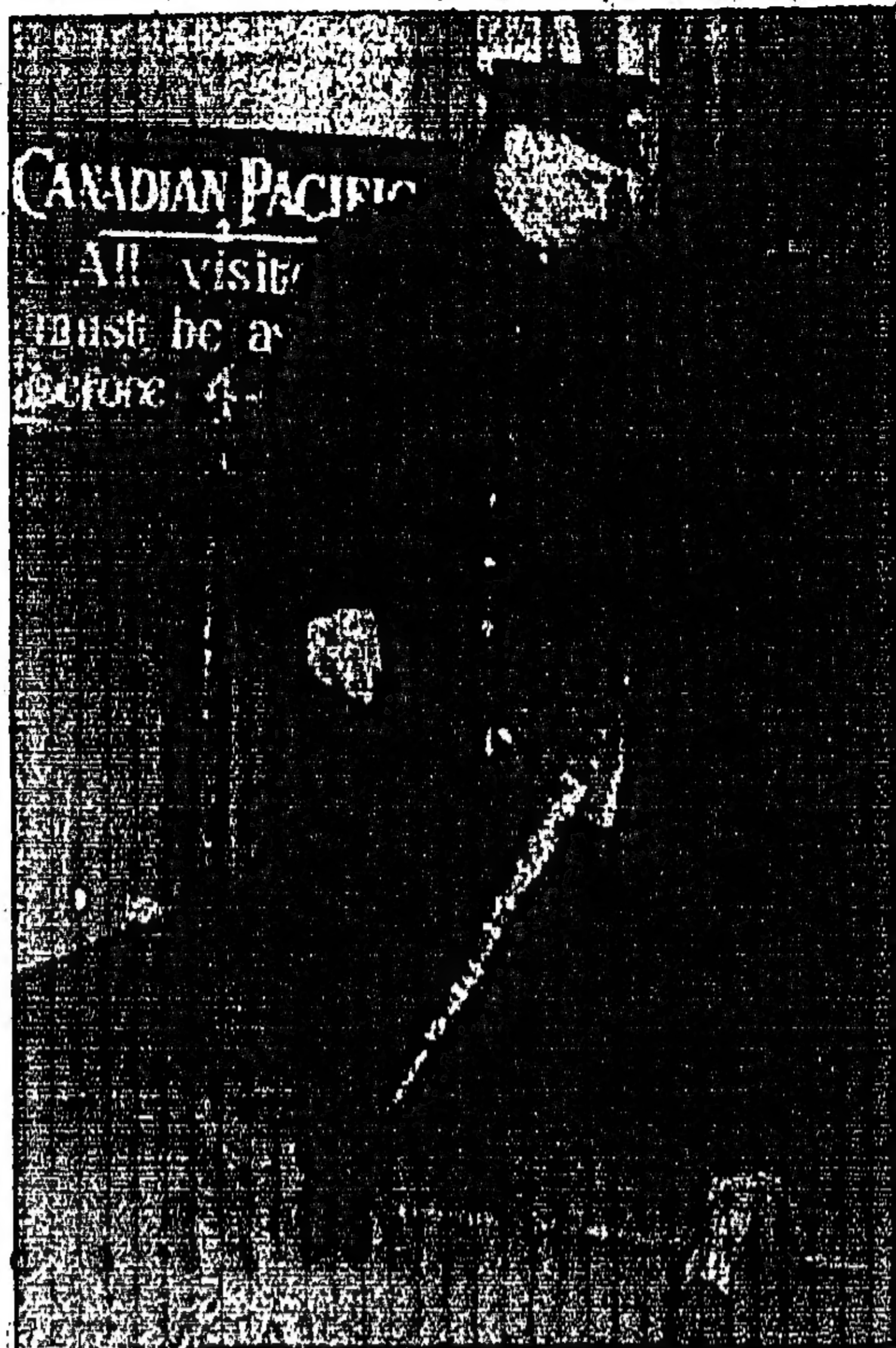
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 8. Deceives.
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 10. Stupid fellow.
 11. Expressed.
 12. Heat gently.
 13. Commence.
 14. Spruce.
 15. Bargain.
 16. Inclination.
- DOWN**
1. Clutch.
 2. Mode.
 3. Froth.
 4. Monster.
 5. Joined.
 6. Negotiated.
 7. Small portion.
 8. Shrewd.
 9. Expunged.
 10. Bar.
 11. Believe.
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 16. Indian coin.
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Security Measures



Following the disastrous fire which completely gutted the Empress of Canada in Liverpool and recent fire scares on the Queen Elizabeth at Southampton, passengers and visitors boarding the liner Empress of France are closely scrutinised by the Master at Arms.—(London Express Photo).

Seventh Fleet's Enthusiasm Trifle Punctured

Washington, Feb. 9.

Navy Headquarters today punctured the enthusiastic Seventh Fleet claim that four "new type" guided-missile ships could go into action in the Far East very soon if needed.

Mail Bags Destroyed In Ship Blaze

Philadelphia, Feb. 9. More than a dozen American were made ill or overcome by smoke while battling a blaze in the hold of a Swedish cargo ship here today.

The fire destroyed mail destined for American servicemen in Europe and damaged diplomatic correspondence. Quick work by the captain and crew of the Volvo Steamship Company's 6,500-ton freighter Othem prevented serious damage.

The deputy Fire Marshal, Paul Earlestein, said a spark from an acetylene torch apparently ignited the straw matting separating the mail bags. The fire flared quickly and two alarms were sounded. The flames died down after about 20 minutes.

Captain Karl Hammarstrom and his crew of 41 worked with the firemen to get some mail bags to safety. The ship was carrying about 1,500 sacks of mail and was to have sailed for New York after part of her cargo was unloaded here.—United Press.

Big Three Refuse Soviet Demand

London, Feb. 9. Britain, France and the United States refused Russian demands to withdraw their shortened eight-point draft for an Austrian State Treaty at today's meeting of the Foreign Ministers' Deputies here. The United States Deputy, Mr. Walter Dowling, said after the meeting tonight.

Soviet Deputy Andrei Gromyko said no date had been arranged for a further meeting.

"Withdrawal of the eight-point draft has been demanded by Russia as a condition for attending further sessions of the conference of Deputies of the Big Four Foreign Ministers for the Austrian Treaty."

Mr. Dowling told Reuter today that the refusal to withdraw the shortened treaty was made unambiguously by the three Western Deputies.—Reuter.

Britain To Push Ahead With Scheme To Unite Rhodesias

London, Feb. 9.

The conference of the Central African Federation, which started in London last month, has ended and it now appears certain that Britain intends to push ahead with the scheme to unite Northern and Southern Rhodesia and Nyasaland despite the objections of some 4,000,000 Africans.

The chief delegates to the conference—Mr. Commonwealth Relations Secretary Lord Ewington, the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Oliver Lyttelton, the Southern Rhodesia Prime Minister, Sir Godfrey Huggins, the Northern Rhodesia Governor, Sir Gilbert Renne, and Sir Godfrey Colby, Governor of Nyasaland—signed the final draft of the Government's White Paper on Federation on January 22.

Official sources do not give any details of the final draft but say that it deals with all the practical issues of the interdependence of the three territories' economies, the advantages of Federal Government and a Federal judicial system.

To those who oppose it—mainly tribal chieftains in Nyasaland and Northern Rhodesia—a federation has become a bogey associated with all the things they fear: white domination, loss of the land rights and restrictive native laws.

Officials said that the draft White Paper would take "full account" of African opinion and that no attempt would be made to impose federation against majority opinion.

The scheme has yet to be approved by referendum in Southern Rhodesia, as well as the Legislative Councils in Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland and the British Parliament.

Already there are signs that the scheme will be strongly opposed in the British Parliament by Liberal and Labour members.

Opposition is also reported to be strong in Nyasaland and Northern Rhodesia where Africans feel that federation would result in the racial policies similar to those practised in the South African Union.—United Press.

The Common Heritage

Singapore, Feb. 9. Sir John Nicoll, Governor of Singapore, accepting the Indian government's gift of a special copy of their Constitution, said today it demonstrated bonds of "a Parliamentary system of government which is our common heritage."

"The Constitution of a country whose peoples have achieved self-government still affirms their earnest desire to remain within the Commonwealth and will serve to remind us of the bonds that unite the component parts of that great and free association of member nations with the Queen as its head," Sir John added.

The gift was made to the Singapore branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association of which Sir John is President. It was formally presented by Mr. Gopala Menon, the Indian government's representative in Malaya.—Reuter.

The Oradour Massacre

Bordeaux, Feb. 9.

The State prosecutor today demanded the death sentence for former SS Sergeant George Rene Bods, one of the two Alsatian volunteers alleged to have taken part in the Oradour massacre.

As for the other volunteer, a private and twelve Alsatians who were pressed into service with the SS, he asked for hard labour or penal servitude, leaving the court to fix the terms.—Reuter.

Burma's Allegation Against Nationalists

Rangoon, Feb. 9.

The Burmese War Office today produced what it claimed was further documentary evidence that Chinese Nationalist guerrillas were collaborating with Karen rebels in Burma.

It published photostat copies of a message which called on a Chinese general to help a rebel unit.

The War Office issued a statement quoting documentary evidence of a pact between the Nationalist guerrillas and the Karens. This allegation was later denied by a military spokesman of General Chiang Kai-shek's government in Formosa.

The War Office statement today expressed the fear that many of the arms supplied by the Nationalists to the Karens might fall into the hands of Communist rebels, who recently signed a pact with the Karens for joint military operations against the government.

Burma's apprehension over the collaboration of the Nationalists with local rebels assumed new importance with reports that warring sections of Communist rebels had agreed on a ceasefire, among themselves to form a united command against the government.

These reports said White Flag Stalinist Communists and Red Flag Trotskyite Communists, who had been fighting each other for years, had signed the pact. Members of the People's Volunteer Organization made up of ex-soldiers had also joined in this agreement.

The pact looked forward to renewed rebel activity against the government with new arms.—Reuter.

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London. Britain is still stunned by the dual disasters—the loss of the Princess Victoria in the Irish sea and the havoc in Eastern coastal areas—resulting from the recent violent gales.

These stark tragedies took a heavy toll of human life.

Unhappily, this century has been studded with incidents where flooding has brought great suffering. In its opening year, 1800, two hundred people were drowned in Japan. The year afterwards, China's Yangtze River overflowed with appalling loss of life.

In 1926, America's "Mighty Mo"—the Mississippi—burst its banks, drowning 150 people and rendering 150,000 more homeless.

In 1934 India's sacred River Ganges engulfed fifty entire villages.

And thirteen years later, the world experienced one of

the worst flood years in recent history. America, Japan, Turkey, and India all encountered disasters—both Japan and Turkey reporting death tolls running into thousands—while Britain had a 30-century calamity that led to the Government instituting a £1,000,000 distress fund.

The latest catastrophe, however, is the worst sea-flood Britain has suffered for over a hundred years.

The incredible damage that tons upon tons of wind-driven seawater can do when it smashes with battering ram force upon brick, cement or steel must be seen to be believed.

In the autumn of 1948, for instance, some 30 oil companies had just completed the first batch of steel "island" platforms for underwater drilling in the Gulf of Mexico. And, that same autumn, an abnormally severe hurricane blew up.

The platforms, fashioned from massive steel girders and plates, looked as safe and solid as the most robust pier. They had been designed, moreover, to withstand exposure to hurricanes. Yet, when the fifty-foot waves of the Gulf hammered against them, while a 120-mile-an-hour wind wrenched at their bolts, thick steel struts and sheets were ripped loose as though they were made of plywood and canvas. Several of the platforms disappeared without trace.

Fortunately, owing to the speed with which the oil meteorological teams had flashed warning of the hurricane's approach, no lives were added to the material loss. The oil men rebuilt their damaged platforms and resumed their difficult task.

But recent experience shows the frailty of man's works when they are exposed to the full force of the elements. Every one who depends for security upon some sea wall knows this—only too well. They also know, as now the whole nation knows, the terrible consequences that follow when the sea wall crumples and the ocean has its way.

With these hands

With these hands now folded in repose—drawn by ROBB with the co-operation of Lambeth Palace—the Archbishop of Canterbury will crown Elizabeth as Queen on June 2...

ON his right hand the archbishop, Dr Geoffrey Fisher, wears an Episcopal ring. This ring he must wear "perpetually" as a badge of his holy office.

It is set with an egg-shaped amethyst, is engraved with the arms of the See of Canterbury.

As the archbishop raises aloft the Crown his ring will catch the light, as the rings of his predecessors down the centuries have caught the Coronation glitter.

Every bishop and archbishop has an Episcopal ring which he wears for the first time when he is consecrated bishop. Usually friends or relations give it to him in commemoration.

Dr Fisher first wore one when he was consecrated Bishop of Chester in 1932.

He was 57 when he became Archbishop of Canterbury in 1945—the youngest archbishop of modern times.

But he will not be the youngest archbishop to crown the Sovereign this century. Dr Randall Thomas Davidson, the Archbishop of Canterbury who crowned King George V was only 63.

Dr Fisher will be 66 the month before the crowning.



studded with rubies, emeralds, sapphires, diamonds, and a single large amethyst, symbolises the earth dominated by the authority of Christ. This is put into the Queen's hands then carried to the Altar.

On the fourth finger of her right hand the archbishop places the Wedding Ring of England, a sapphire set in diamonds with the Cross of St. George set in rubies. Thus is she united with her Peoples and they with her in the responsibilities now laid upon her.

"Receive this Ring," says the archbishop, "the emblem of queenly dignity, and of defence of the Catholic Faith," to which in the creed she has assented. The most ancient of all the

symbols of royalty are the two sceptres now placed in her gloved hands. Each is surmounted by a symbol of the Christian faith. A cross on one stands for love that fulfils itself in sacrifice. The figure of a dove on the other symbolises the Holy Spirit in whose strength alone kings may rule.

The Crown

ON the High Altar is the Crown of St. Edward. As the other bishops move down to the Queen, the dean brings the Crown, resting on a purple cushion. The archbishop lifts it. Firmly he places it upon the head of the Queen.

All around her, like a scintillating sea, there is silent movement as peers and their coronets, the barons their caps, and the kings-of-arms their crowns. The Abbey bursts into music from end to end.

At a signal from the roof of the Abbey the gulls in the Tower re-echo to those in St. James's Park. Fanfares are blown in the Abbey and its bells ring out to the crowds outside.

In sudden silence as the echoes die away, the archbishop hands the Queen a Bible: "We present you with this book, the most valuable thing that this world affords."

The Sacring is over.

The Sacrament

THE Queen removes her Crown and offers the archbishop Bread and Wine for the Holy Communion, which now proceeds.

In deeply moving simplicity a young wife and mother will kneel alone. At a faldstool near the Altar she receives from the archbishop the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ.

The King of Kings is one with the young Queen: "Thy Will be done," she says as she presses herself "her soul and body to be a living sacrifice."

And the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II has taken place.

But why have a Coronation... WHEN ELIZABETH IS ALREADY THE QUEEN?

THE Queen is already Queen. She has been reigning now for over a year. So why then—some will ask—why then all the elaborate ceremonies of Coronation in Westminster Abbey?

This time-lag between Accession and Coronation is a fairly modern thing. There were past centuries when the new Sovereign was not made King until his Coronation.

But the two occasions are quite different. They called it, 1,000 years ago, not "The Coronation" but the Consecration or Sacring of the Sovereign.

The Accession to the Throne is a legal and constitutional act. The Coronation is through and through religious. It takes place within the majestic setting of the Church's highest act of worship.

No sooner has the Queen taken her seat on entering than she moves to four corners of the "chambre" or sanctuary.

Acclamations will ring out as the archbishop repeats four times: "Sirs, I present unto you Queen Elizabeth, your undoubted Queen." The trumpets will sound.

Now the atmosphere changes. We might be back in any village church, as the archbishop begins

the Holy Communion. After the Epistle ("Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honour the Queen") and the Gospel ("Render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's"), there is proclamation of the faith of Christians—the Nicene Creed.

Here, for a time, the Holy Communion stops. As the Queen kneels, the choir sings softly: "Come Holy Ghost, our souls inspire..."

The solemn, central act of "Sacring" is beginning. The archbishop takes a solid gold model of an eagle, nine inches high: the Ampulla. In it is oil that has already been blessed. "O Lord, Holy Father, who by anointing with oil didst of old make and consecrate



Canon HUGH WARNER

—As personal chaplain to Dr. William Temple, then Archbishop of York, was present in the Sanctuary of Westminster Abbey when King George VI was crowned on May 12, 1937. Today Canon Warner—

explains the deep symbolism of it all

to kings, priests, and prophets, to teach and govern thy people Israel; Bless thy servant Elizabeth now to be anointed with this oil and consecrated Queen..." So is the meaning of this act expressed in prayer.

The Queen is disrobed of her crimson cloak by the Lord Great Chamberlain, and moves across to the ancient Chair of King Edward. As she sits, Knights of the Garter come forward carrying a rich pall of cloth of gold, suspended on poles, and this they place directly over her, hiding her from view.

Holy Oil

A LITTLE of the Holy Oil has been poured into a golden spoon. Dipping two fingers into the oil, the

archbishop anoints the Queen in the form of a cross, first on the palm of each hand, then on the breast, and finally on the crown of her head.

The Dean of Westminster invests the Queen with three priestly vestments—a long white linen garment (the Colobium Sindonis), the Supertunica, and the Girdle.

The Queen has been consecrated to her great office. The sevenfold gifts of the Holy Spirit have been given.

We are now carried back to the days of knightly and ancient chivalry as the Golden Spurs are brought for the Queen to touch. A sword, first placed upon the Altar, is carried to the Queen, thus symbolising that for her power of life and death she is responsible to God.

A stole is placed round her neck, for she is "yoke-fellow" with Christ in the carrying out of her responsibilities. Golden eagles are woven into the material which makes the Imperial Mantle, now placed around her shoulders. It is four-square to suggest the four quarters of the world, all subject to the sovereignty of Christ.

A large ball of pure gold, the Orb, surmounted by a cross

SASSENACHS FALL FOR HAGGIS

By J. W. Taylor

London, Feb. 8. The Sassenachs are cashing in on a haggis boom. Not only Scottish but housewives in all parts of south of the Border have been quick to notice that for the first time since the war REAL haggis is being produced in quantity.

This has been reflected in recent Burns' Night celebrations by Spots at home and abroad. They marked the greatest consumption of haggis since before the war. For weeks before the celebrated 25th night, butchers and provisions merchants throughout Scotland were inundated with orders for the "great chieftain," and a feature of this year's trade was the avalanche of reservations from people in all parts of the United Kingdom who had no claim to Scottish ancestry. Orders from abroad, too, have surpassed all previous figures.

In former years haggis has been chiefly eaten by Scots fathers and mothers attending Burns suppers or Saint Andrew's oil-ripts.

Among his late Old Year orders was one from a Scot in London who has since left for Lisbon. It was sent on its way to him, after surviving a check-through the Customs, by the "Aberdeen" which is due to arrive in London today.

People have been quick to notice that haggis today is the

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MURDER OR THE SACK

New York. EX-STEVEDORE Dominick Genova startled the State Crime Commission.

On oath, he said he lost his New York dock job for refusing to murder a milk roundman for his foreman, ex-convict John Applegate.

The milk roundman had slashed "Appie" in a bar-room brawl. He had to go to hospital for plastic surgery. Later, someone else machine-gunned the milk roundman in West 47th Street.

And Genova said he was being driven to his own execution when the driver relented, let him out of the car and told him to vanish.

AFTER he gave this testimony, Genova vanished again, this time through the courtroom side door, surrounded by policemen.

Sitting in the courtroom waiting to testify—were bosses of Genova's old stevedore union, Local 834. Some are ex-convicts. They are accused of running the union at the pistol point.

Local 834 controls work on Cunniff's piers. The newspapers say Genova will get his reward: suspension of a jail sentence imposed for

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NEWELL ROGERS

They think he may not be free long—alive, that is. He turned against the underworld, and the underworld will want vengeance.

BRITAIN'S Mary Manning is dead, at 77. At the turn of the century she was a great Broadway and West End star.

Said producer David Bolasco, years after her marriage to actor James K. Hackett, a matinee idol of the day: "She had a marvellous beauty—dignified and queenly. She was unapproachable to those unable to penetrate her beautiful austerity."

DOCTORS are using TV sets in their offices in place of the old dog-eared magazines to keep waiting patients patient.

TO London and U.S. embassies and consulates in 700 other cities around the world a message from Secretary of State John Foster Dulles has been flashed.

It warned the 10,000 diplomatic employees of his Foreign Ministry that he will demand

"competence, discipline and positive loyalty" from every one of them. The diplomatic service is in for a shake-up.

NATURAL vision, the three-dimensional film system which requires picturegoers to wear spectacles, apparently is winning-out in Hollywood, over its rivals, Cinemascope and the British Triopticon system. Three major studios have now announced plans to make feature pictures in natural vision.

THE Queen's effect on an American is described by Page H. Porter in a letter to the editor of Time magazine from Heswall, Cheshire.

"Not many months ago I came here with, among other things, a slightly hostile curiosity about the meaning of this royalty business," he writes.

"Not without surprise, I found in myself the same affectionate respect for the Queen, and at the same time an understanding of the English, perhaps the British, and what they value and will work for."

"THE silkworm turns," says the Wall Street Journal. It reports a big comeback of natural silk for women's dresses. It is being blended with synthetic rayon and orlon. U.S. output is up from 9,000,000 yards in 1940 to 25,000,000 in 1952.



"It's just that you're not used to seeing me wear a hat!"

• BY THE WAY •

by Beachcomber

IN the opinion of Professor Whitcomb of Walsall the portion of Shant known as the Huddersfield Man is the left nostril of a pre-Cambrian fossilized horse, preserved in the peaty soil of Huddersfield.

It is a marine mollusc, for, at that period, the polyplacophora, the solenogaster, and the cephalopoda roamed the waste of waters where Huddersfield now stands. This marine horse was pelagic up to the neck, and mobile above them. It was both child and crinoid, and at the end of the Mid-Jurassic period became amphibious and developed webbed hoofs with reticulate heels. It is probably a link between the last of the dophiodonts and the first of the cetaceans. Not that I care.

Tra-la-lal!
THE grave suggestion that UNESCO, the P.E.N. Club, and the British Council should amalgamate fills me with a kind of serene joy which is very near to tears. I think the new body should be called PENUNESCO, or Tolo to its friends. And they might as well be called that, for they will open their season with an up-to-date version of Corneille's "Hedonism" in Bulgarian. As Mrs. Lippincott said at the P.E.N. Conference at San Sebastian, "Art is like a woman, indivisible, and knows no frontiers."

A missed opportunity
THERE is no doubt that we are a musical nation. Not for a long time have I had so many

letters, each one enclosing a cutting about the tenor who swallows the moustache. But I have waited in vain to see advertisements saying: "Master's Moustache, get down, easiest," or "Galbraith's Moustache-Clasp, gave Caruso confidence," or "Swallow one of Galbraith's vanilla-flavoured moustaches. Makers of operatic moustaches are missing a great chance."

Short story
"Do you two know each other?" asked Helen Stilton, with a gracious smile. Her party was going well. "We ought to," answered Chloppin and Mitleng. "We are Siamese twins."

Nothing to do with me
They (a group of railway spotters) visited engine sheds. They were named for £2,400,000. (News Item.)

Set down quietly and try to understand this item from a morning paper.

PHOEBE (angrily):
There is still time to knit a mouse for your cat to play with.

(Enter Poolea Sokinit, the Japanese schoolteacher. She stands facing the dawn, while Geoffrey goes slowly from the room and then faints back. She then goes slowly from the room, while he stands facing the dawn. She comes back, he goes out. And so on, and so on.)

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10

BORN today, you have a rethring nature and must learn to cultivate self-assurance, even if it means you have to "fudge" everything that your ambitions inspire you to accomplish during a lifetime. You have all the basic characteristics for a fine success; just use them properly. You are a real optimist and can always look on the bright side of things, no matter how dark the picture seems at the moment. You just know there is a silver lining to every cloud.

You have a great deal of courage and although your life may not be an easy one at first, the chances are that it will improve as you grow older. You'll have to learn how to get along in this highly competitive world. You can keep a secret and hence would make a valuable person in any position of responsibility where

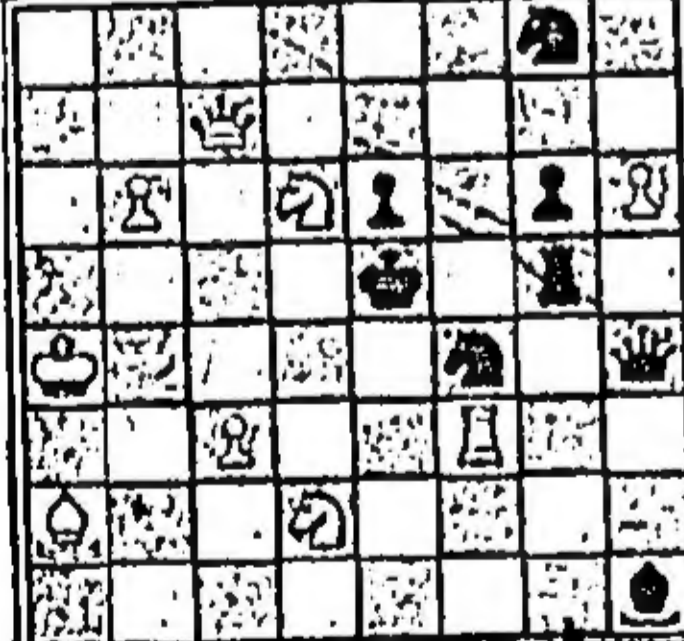
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19):
If something is told you in confidence, be sure to keep it sacred. Don't permit yourself to gossip.
PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20):
Impulses are not to be trusted today. Better give any important decision a second thought right now.
ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20):
Although you have to stick closely to routine, try to give your regular job a "new look" by investigating some innovation.
TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21):
If you know a certain subject is meeting at least for today.
GEMINI (May 22-June 21):
Don't let error creep into your work. It is very important that you be more exacting in all details.

CHESS PROBLEM

By A. VOLKMAN

Black, 8 pieces.



White, 9 pieces.

White to play; mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. Kt-Q1, any; 2. Q, R, B, or K, mates.

DUMB-BELLS

HERE ARE SOME OF THOSE PICTURES THAT ARE DOLE BY SCRATCHING!

OH YES, YOU MEAN ITCHINGS!

2. Take a cat's paw and scratch the girl's back.

3. You feel back at this look.

4. The girl's back is in men, produce the girl's back.

5. Peter, from included, promises to be a friend of the girl's back.

6. It made trouble in March.

7. No taken on this American way.

8. No taken on this American way.

9. Practices.

10. Peter assumed with grace.

11. She's in a penitential settlement.

12. Solution of yesterday's puzzle: Across.

1. The girl's back is in men, produce the girl's back.

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JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Count All Discards To Avoid Swindles

By OSWALD JACOBY

"I MADE a very stupid mistake in the accompanying hand," a Dallas correspondent admits. "I got myself caught in a swindle, but I'll bet that many players would have made the same mistake."

"I opened the king of diamonds from the West hand, and dummy won with the ace. Declarer took the ace of clubs, ruffed a diamond in dummy, discarded the king of hearts on the king of clubs, and then ran all of his trumps."

"When South led his last trump out, I had to hold one card. Which should I save—the queen of diamonds or the ace of hearts?"

"I would have landed on my feet if I had watched my partner's discards carefully, but the dummy is that I didn't. I simply had to guess, and I guessed wrong. I discarded the ace of hearts, whereupon declarer produced the jack of hearts to win an extra trick."

"This happened in a duplicate game, where the extra trick had some importance. I realize that a fine player must count all the

discards, but isn't there some other way to make the correct guess in a situation of this kind?"

The easiest way out of this kind of swindle is to count all of the discards, as my correspondent suggests. If you get tired of counting, however, you can often work out the truth by logic.

In this case, it was obvious that South's last card had to be a diamond or a heart. The question is "Did South start with two hearts and two diamonds or with one heart and two diamonds or with one heart and three diamonds?"

If South had started with three diamonds, he could have ruffed two diamonds in the dummy instead of only one. Why did South make no attempt to ruff two diamonds in the dummy? The obvious answer is that South didn't have his hand.

Hence his last card was clearly a heart. Acting on this logic, West should have thrown away the queen of diamonds and saved the ace of hearts.

Q—The bidding has been:

North East South West

1 Heart Pass 7 Spades

You, South, hold:

K-Q-3-2, Hearts K-8-7-4,

Diamonds 9, Clubs 8-7-5-4.

What do you do?

A—Bid one spade. With 11

points you are too strong for a

single raise (6 to 9 points) but

too weak for a double raise (13

to 16 points). You therefore

bid a side suit and raise hearts

later on.

You count 5 points for the

high spades, 4 points for the

king of hearts (1 point more

than a normal king, because

your partner has bid the suit),

and 2 points for the singleton.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in

the question just answered.

You, South, hold: Spades K-Q,

Hearts K-7, Diamonds

9-2, Clubs K-J-5-4. What do

you do?

Answer Tomorrow

INTELLIGENCE TEST

RICHLY REWARDED

By T. O. HARR

"WE were richly rewarded" (said

Colonel Sandstone) "when

we took service with the

Bank of Combs. By the

reference, of course, to Major

Flint and me.

Each of us received as a

parting gift an ingot of

gold: each ingot a perfect

cube. Mine was the larger—

the cube content exactly the

same as that of Flint's cube by 637

cubic centimeters.

"What a fine present you

poor!" said Sandstone.

"Dear me, no," I said.

"What?" said Sandstone.

"I said that the poor is a

unit of length, not a unit of

weight. The ingot was about

one-fifth of an inch. By the way, the side

of my golden cube was no

more than 1.5 inches, and

that is also true of Flint's

cube. What was the cube

content of Sandstone's ingot?

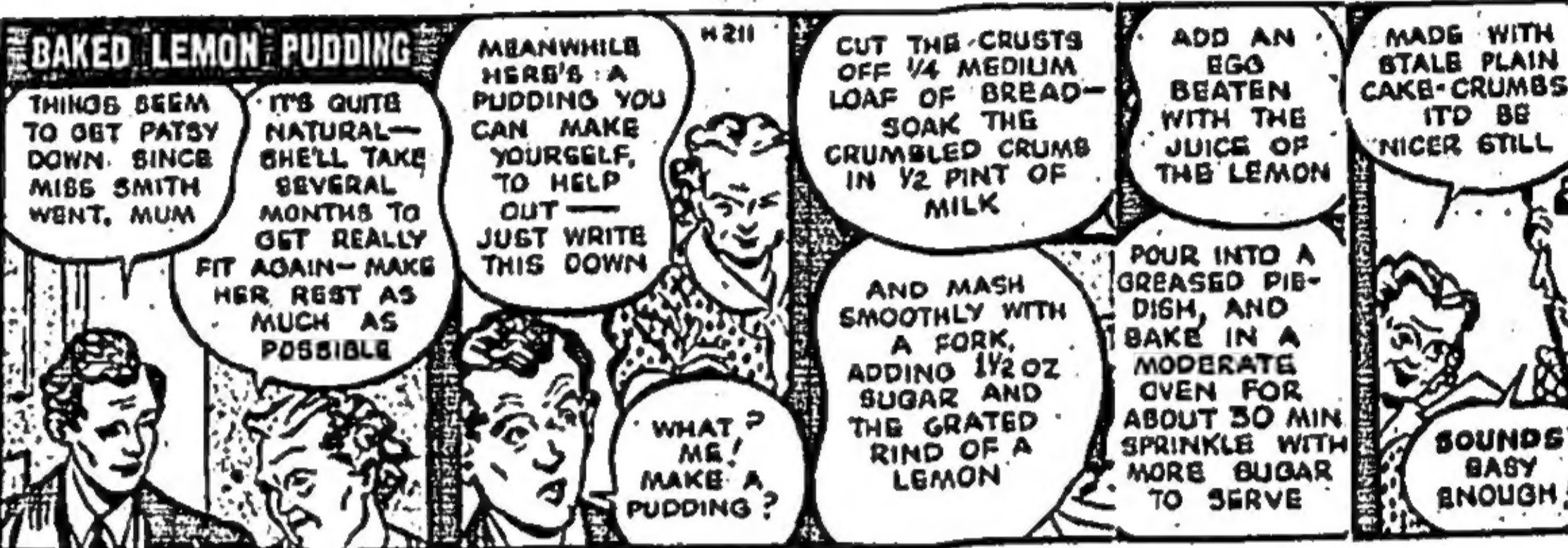
(Solution on Page 10)

WOMANSENSE

Models Await Their Turn



These models await their turn to display their gowns to H.M. the Queen, at a private showing of styles by Britain's "Top Eleven" designers.



BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

General Tin Hunts A Mouse

—He Discovers It Isn't As Easy As He Thought!

By MAX TRELL

KNARF and Hanid, the shadow-children with the turned-about names, were shocked when they saw how General Tin looked. No one whom they knew was as neat and as natly, as trim and as smart as General Tin. His uniform was always brushed. His face and his hands were spotless. All in all he was (usually) as pretty as paint and as clean as a whistle. General Tin, of course, was a tin soldier.

Yet here he was today, when Knarf and Hanid came into the playroom, looking scratched and battered and dirty—and mused up, with his hat half off his head, his face smeared with mud, and his beautiful uniform hanging from him like an empty bag of potatoes.

Tried to Smile

Hanid said: "Oh dear! What happened to you, General Tin?" General Tin tried to smile. "Nothing," he said. "Nothing happened to me at all."

"Something must have happened, General," said Knarf.

Finally, after Knarf and Hanid begged him several more times, General Tin finally looked around the room to make sure that no one else was listening, then he said in a low voice: "I was hunting last night."

"Hunting?" said Hanid in surprise. General Tin nodded.

"Hunting what? A lion or a tiger? You couldn't have got yourself so mused up unless you were hunting a great big wild animal, in the middle of the jungle."

This time General Tin shook his head. "It wasn't a lion or a tiger. It wasn't even an elephant or a giraffe or a crocodile."

"No?"

Again he looked around before he answered in a lower

Can't See in the Dark

"The first thing that happened was that I fell down the

stairs on account of the darkness."

"I hope you didn't hurt yourself," the cat purred. "I forgot to tell you that you have to be able to see in the dark to be able to catch a mouse in the cellar. Look out—!" she meowed at that instant. It was too late. I bumped into a pile of boxes and trunks and fell into a sack of charcoal. "You're going the wrong way," the cat said to me. "The mouse-hole is on the other side under that pile of old wood."

"General Tin stopped to sigh. "You can't imagine," he said to Knarf and Hanid, "the trouble I got into hunting for that mouse. I tripped over the furnace. I scratched myself on nails. I barged into pipes and shelves. I stumbled, I bumped and I tumbled. But most of all, I was humbled. I never even saw the mouse. I mean, I didn't see him until after he was caught."

"Oh! Then he was caught!" said Hanid.

"Yes—by the cat," replied General Tin. "And from now on," he added, "I'll stick to hunting lions and tigers. Catching a mouse is too much for me!"

And Knarf and Hanid laughed. And the cat, if she was listening, must have laughed, too.

"Right—ho, and then may I go and tell the Collector and the Guide?" said Knarf. "They were all in at the beginning and may have seen us floating away."

Mrs. Bear gives her comment and off they scamper.

THE END
A New Adventure Begins Tomorrow

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Looking elsewhere ANNE EDWARDS says—

Sir Hugh gays up the lamp-posts

SOME fresh and charming ideas will decorate one corner of London next June. They are the decorations for London lamp-posts, statues, streets, and bridges suggested by Sir Hugh Casson.

With any luck we'll be seeing... London lamp-posts, for example, painted white in Edoes and decorated with sheaves of red and white candles that glow in the dusk. ...painted pale blue in Oxford Street and garlanded with white roses and ivy leaves. ...painted black in Haymarket and looped with ping-pong balls that bob and rattle in the breeze with a crown of ping-pong balls at the top.

Police barriers, each painted a different colour, bottle green, lilac, scarlet, and purple. ...Statues boxed in for safety with a picture of the statue drawn on the outside. ...Hungerford Bridge with an Em-

hardening—take my word for it, then they are superb.

GREEN SALAD with French dressing can be good. But if each leaf is lightly touched with olive oil, seasoned with pepper and salt, and then the salad is sprinkled with a spoonful of mixed and slightly sweetened vinegars (for example, tarragon, garlic, and shallot) then it is really superb.

PECHE MELBA with a fruit peach can be good. But if you poach a fresh peach in a vanilla-flavoured syrup for three or four minutes and let it cool, make vanilla ice with the top of the milk, and add a puree of fresh raspberries (sieved, sweetened, and acid), then I give you my word—it is superb.

LOWERING

★ THE ACE-HIGH delecting remark (I encountered it four times one week recently):

● From a small boy who ran away from home: "Since Christmas I have been fed up with my mummy, my grandma, and my daddy. They are old, I am young."

● In a book: "An American lady once protested to the famous art dealer Durren that the Renaissance painting of a girl he was trying to restore had obviously been restored. 'My dear madam,' he said, 'if you were as old as this young girl, you would have to be restored too.'"

● In a newspaper: "Harold Laski," wrote Trevor Roper, "was an able man whose vanity led him to go on talking long after he had ceased to think."

● From a newspaper seller: He was standing on the corner of Bond Street shouting: "...all about nothing." Read all about nothing! (London Express Service)

UPLIFTING

★ THE DIFFERENCE between the good and the superb in cooking—how small it is and how enormous.

Take this one meal, for example.

SOLE dipped in milk and seasoned flour and cooked in butter can be good. But if you shake off the surplus flour, melt the butter first, without browning it, cook the sole until it is golden brown both sides, and then add more butter and a squeeze of lemon juice to the pan and pour it on top—why then it is superb.

POTATOES roasted in the oven can be good. But if you shape the potatoes like small new ones, put them in cold water, remove them the moment they boil, put them in the oven with a little butter, add salt when they start to brown, and cover with another

Coronation Scent

One of the first new perfumes for the Coronation has been produced by Goya. They call it "21." It is a trifle heady, but fun for the party-goers, especially the younger set.

Household Hint

A good washing solution for windows that are very soiled is to take two tablespoons of vinegar or ammonia to two quarts of warm water. A very fine scouring powder or white lime may be applied in a light coating with a damp cloth or sponge. Wait until it is almost dry, then remove the coating with a soft, clean, lintless cloth.

Novel Scarf

THE new fashion season is off to an auspicious start in scarves, all novelties and accessories, which should make for a colourful, beautifully dressed sartorial picture. In accessories, we have delighted in some smart and useful innovations, one of which is previewed here.

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European Countries All Want A Match With England's Soccer Team

By GEORGE CHANDLER

The major attraction for soccer fans in both the European and South American continents is the England team and harassed officials were today still busy politely rejecting attractive offers.

For the past month the Football Association has been preparing for what some officials term England's "biggest soccer adventure", namely a close season tour of the Argentine, Chile and Uruguay scheduled for next May.

Since the announcement of this tour, Europe's top soccer nations have virtually lined up in front of the big white building at 22 Lancaster Gate, the headquarters of the Football Association, which overlooks London's famous Hyde Park.

First in the queue were the Olympic Champions, Hungary, who are keen to prove their right to the title of European No. 1 soccer nation—either amateur or professional.

Close on their heels came officials from Germany and Spain, and although excellent financial inducements were offered, English officials politely but firmly pointed out that the international programme for the England team was more than full for the season.

ITALIANS UNDETERRED

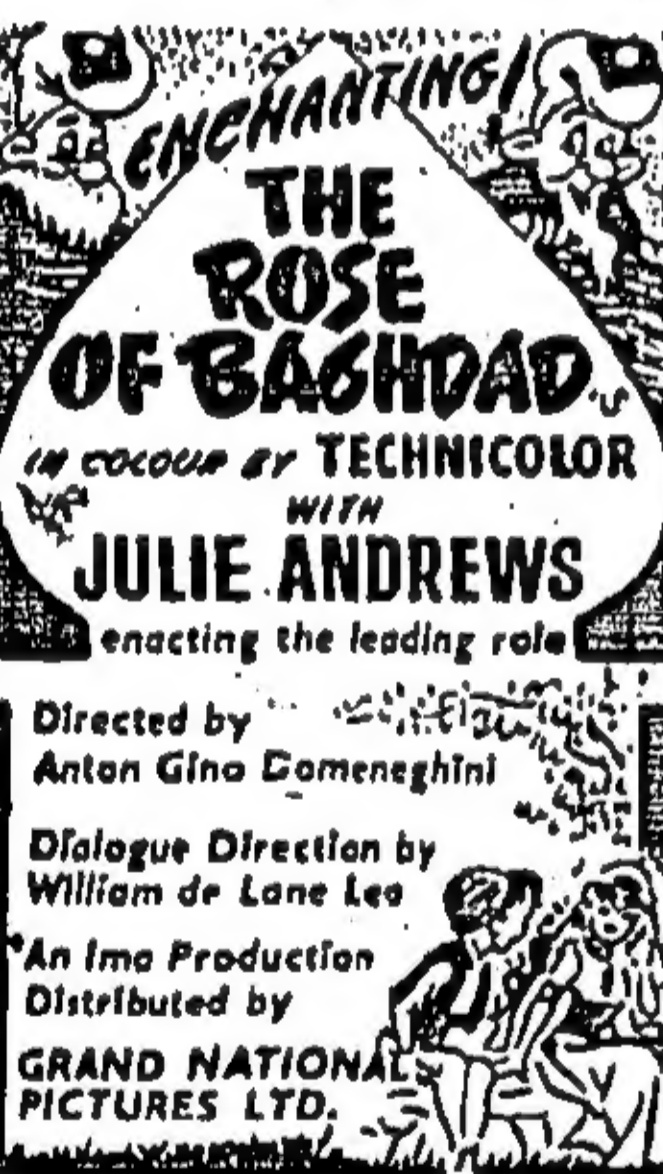
The Italian Football Association, however, refuses to be deterred by this attitude and is dangling the bait of a nice juicy slice of a £75,000 gate, which would be a European record, before the eyes of the English officials.

The Italians want an England team to inaugurate the new 85,000-seating capacity stadium in Rome on April 19, the day after England plays Scotland at Wembley Stadium. And to ensure speedy transportation to Rome, the Italians are willing to have a record-breaking jet-propelled Comet plane rush the Englishmen to Italy immediately after their encounter with Scotland.

Although the offer has not been flatly rejected, it was considered a virtual certainty that the date would not fit in with plans already made for the South American trip.

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Luton And Bolton Heavily Backed At FA Cup Callover

London, Feb. 9.

Luton Town and Bolton Wanderers, who meet at Luton in the fifth round of the FA Cup next Saturday, were the two best backed team at the callover at Victoria Club, London, tonight.

Luton was backed to win £14,000, closing 22 to 1, while Bolton was backed to take £10,000 out of the book before closing at 18 to 1.

Prices were:

5 to 1 Arsenal.
13 to 2 Burnley and Blackpool.
7 to 1 Tottenham Hotspur.

9 to 1 Manchester United and West Bromwich Albion.
18 to 1 Bolton.
20 to 1 Aston Villa.
22 to 1 Luton Town.
25 to 1 Chelsea.
33 to 1 Birmingham City.
50 to 1 Everton and Plymouth Argyle.
60 to 1 Rotherham United.
100 to 1 and upwards others.

—Reuter.

Chelsea And West Bromwich Draw Again In Cup Tie Replay

London, Feb. 9.

After five and a half hours of grim cup tie football during which four goals have been scored, Chelsea and West Bromwich Albion have still not decided their fourth round Football Association Cup match.

Two hours' play today, including a half hour's extra time, ended with the teams again deadlocked at one goal each. These were scored within two minutes of each other by West Bromwich wing-half Dudley and Chelsea centre-forward Bentley.

Chelsea's goal had some remarkable escapes, particularly in the first half, but the Londoners played up strongly during extra time without breaking down the strong opposition defence.

The teams will meet again on Arsenal's ground on Wednesday to decide the right to entertain Birmingham in the fifth round.

Nat Lofthouse, English international centre-forward, scored the only goal for Bolton Wanderers in the second replay against Notts County. —Reuter.

THE RESULTS

Fourth Round second replay results were:
West Bromwich Albion 1, Chelsea 1 (after extra time). The match was played at Villa Park, Birmingham.

Notts County 0, Bolton Wanderers 1 (played at Hillsborough, Sheffield).
As a result of today's replays, Bolton Wanderers visit Luton

Southern Hemisphere Asks For A "Break"

Melbourne, Feb. 9.

Mr Otto Mayer, Secretary of the International Olympic Committee, is to receive a report this week-end of Melbourne's plans for staging the 1956 Olympic Games.

Mr Arthur W. Coles, Chairman of Melbourne's Olympic Control Committee, and Mr Wilfred Kent Hughes, Chairman of the Olympic Organising Committee, announcing this here today said the report would give details of the sites, plans and latest decisions taken in Melbourne for the organisation of the Games.

They added that £A 1.25 million would be available for staging the Games in Melbourne. Mr Kent Hughes said the Northern Hemisphere should

give the Southern Hemisphere a break for a change. "Ever since the Games began, we have had to go to the Northern Hemisphere," he added. —Reuter.

Attaboy Shield Match On Monday At The KBCC

The annual bowls match for the Attaboy Shield will take place at Austin Road on Monday, February 10, starting at 11 a.m. sharp.

Lunch will be served in the Clubhouse at 1.15 p.m. Wives and other guests may be invited for lunch.

All members who intend to participate are requested to sign the list on the Club notice-board or telephone the No. 1 Boy accordingly.
Lunch requirements must be advised by Friday next, while entries for the match will be accepted up to 10.15 a.m. on the day of the game.

LRC TENNIS

Members of the Ladies Recreation Club are reminded that a Mixed Doubles Progressive Tournament will be held on Sunday next, February 15, commencing at 11.30 a.m. Those members and their guests wishing to enter should submit their names to the Secretary not later than Friday, February 13.

Two Scottish Cup Replays Tomorrow

London, Feb. 9.
The two Scottish Cup second round matches drawn on Saturday—Celtic versus Stirling Albion and Kilmarnock versus Hamilton Academicals—will be replayed on Wednesday, February 11. —Reuter.

Don't Shoot the Bookie —TAX HIM

CLIVE GRAHAM (THE SCOUT) and PETER O'SULLIVAN
turn a joint spotlight on racing



(And when the punter welshes—grab him too)

WHAT TO DO TO ERASE some of the black spots in British racing in 1957 Daily Express racing specialists wind up their discussion today with their own sweeping plans.

CLIVE GRAHAM: Tell me, Peter, what is your estimate of the cost of keeping a moderate horse in training?

O'SULLIVAN: If the accent is on "moderate," Clive, I feel on an unhelpful familiar ground. I would say: including training fees, travelling, entries, jockeys' fees, "plating," veterinary attendance... £700 a year. Less prize money, if any, won.

GRAHAM: There are at least 5,000 horses in training, so the total outgoings for owners are not less than £3,500,000 a year. The cost of keeping the productive side of racing going... the upkeep of stallions, mares, and young stock... adds another £3,000,000.

Stakes do not amount to more than £800,000, and the most reliable figures suggest that £1,700,000 is the highest that could be expected in any one year from the export of bloodstock.

FOUR MILLION

Racing, therefore, is costing owners and breeders collectively some £4,000,000 each year.

And it is not only the small owners that are being affected. Take a cross-section of three leading owner-breeders last season... Lord Rosebery, Sir Victor Sassoon, and Mr F. W. Dennis. Between them, they were responsible for the keep of more than 100 horses in training, representing a wage-bill of at least £80,000.

The horses owned by these three won, in all, £22,000 in the stake list. Deduct percentages for jockey, trainer, and lads, and you will find a

debt of more than £80,000 to be shared. In the years to come, there will be few owners who can stand losses on such a scale.

O'SULLIVAN: The figures are certainly startling. There are no doubt a few "bookie" participants engage and consign themselves so blithely to seemingly inevitable loss. While no one is presumably

forced to own racehorses it is obvious that for the future of the sport that £4,000,000 gap must be closed.

GRAHAM: Yes, and it can only be closed by drastic action. It is about time the Government was made to appreciate that it cannot go on "milking" money out of racing indefinitely without killing a major industry.

THE VISTA

O'SULLIVAN: The Irish woke up to that recently and their turf finances have since been established on a basis of increasing prosperity. Surely it's absurd in this country where betting is virtually illegal, for the Chancellor to seize over £700,000 a year in tax from the "tote"—a machine which the Government sponsors and which is supposed to be non-profit making?

GRAHAM: Yes, but we've been side-tracking the bookmakers. There is a viewpoint which inclines towards banning them altogether, and for tote only, legal and taxable betting.

O'SULLIVAN: And what a colourless vista it suggests. Whatever we may say and think about the "enemy" at times, I'm sure we agree it wouldn't be half the game without them. The course bookmaker contributes plenty to racing. What we need to

reduce the "gap" is a tithe from the starting-price, off-the-course bookmaker.

GRAHAM: Yes, an annual tax, however modest—and I don't see why it should be too small at that—on the thirty to forty thousand S.P. men could make all the difference.

The bookmakers would be wise to establish the machinery for collecting it. They'd have a stronger case to present if they looked like gaining support. They've done a lot towards cleaning up their own "black-legs"—the man who never seems to receive the winning bet.

O'SULLIVAN: They have—but the men and women I'd

TEST DRAWN

West Indies All Out For 296

Bridgetown, Barbados, Feb. 9.

The West Indies were all out for 296 in their first innings against India on the second day of the Second Test match here today, and at the tea interval India had scored 82 for two in reply.

The first Test ended in a draw.

Clyde Walcott was top-scorer for the West Indies with 88.

The West Indies ninth wicket stand between Walcott and Ramadhin defied the Indian attack for another 35 minutes this morning before Phadkar, who had taken the new ball at the start of play, had Walcott leg before.

Walcott's brilliant 88 in 193 minutes included two sixes and ten fours.

NINTH WICKET STAND

Although the Barbados batsman was unlucky not to get his century, he had the satisfaction of raising the West Indies score to a respectable total. Walcott and Ramadhin added 88 runs for the ninth wicket.

Roy and Apté opened quietly for India against the medium-paced bowlers King and Gomez. King made the ball rise occasionally and in his fourth over one such ball hit Roy's glove and went straight into Worrell's hands at third slip.

Manjrekar was the second batsman to be dismissed, lbw to Ramadhin for 25.

At the tea adjournment V. S. Hazare was 23 not out and Apté 30 not out. —Reuter.

like to see swept off the turf are the non-paying punters whose abuse of the credit system and the laws governing

around the racecourse—and the more expensive the enclosure, the higher the percentage.

GRAHAM: Nor are some bookmakers blameless when it comes to the "knocking Stakes." Meanwhile, "Peter," our main conclusions seem to be that the official body representing racing should impress upon the Chancellor that through entertainment tax, exports, etc., he is already getting plenty out of racing and the "tote" should be left to strengthen the financial structure of the sport....

gambling means that the honest punter gets poorer prices than he would otherwise have. There are altogether too many "knockers" floating

A tax should be levied on S.P. bookmakers.... Tattersalls committee should deal more ruthlessly with defaulters. What is certain is the fact that if something is not done this continuous drain on owners' resources is going to produce some funny—funny peculiar—results this season.

O'SULLIVAN: Hope we find a few winners.

GRAHAM: Amen to that too. —(London Express Service)

HAROLD MAYES Talking Sport

THEY DIDN'T STOP LARWOOD'S SOCCER

Nobody admires Yorkshire sporting guts—or will-to-win if you like it that way—more than I do.

For so long, in cricket, the "drive-the-other-fellow-into-the-ground" attitude which brings success has been a north of the Trent monopoly.

Now I'm going to suggest that unless the folk at the top in Yorkshire cricket get back to calling spades just spades, or something a bit stronger, it's going to be the best part of some time before we see the brand area county back in its rightful place.

It all comes down to whether or not our cricketers should be Taylor-made, or more precisely, whether, it's more dangerous or even painful to get kicked on the shins by a Derek Dooley than to be hit on the head by one that's dug-in by a Keith Miller.

Take your pick, but I'd settle for the former every time. And so, I assure you, would most of our footballers, cricketers, amateur and professional. Which is the reason they've been sitting back and laughing at the advice given to Freddy Trueman and Brian Close to pack up Soccer.

NO COMPLAINTS THEN

Ever heard of anyone complaining about Harold Larwood playing football? Now there was a bowler. As long ago as 1928-29 the Nottinghamshire thunderbolt was at left back in an MCC Soccer side in Australia.

Like to know the team? This was it. Percy Fender in goal. Les Ames and Larwood at full-back, a "middle" line of Ernest Tyldesley, George Geary and George Duckworth, with

K. H. Ip Causes Major Upset In Manila Tennis

Manila, Feb. 9.
Ip Koon-hung, of Hongkong, to-day caused a major upset in the Philippines national tennis championships when he defeated Amado Sanchez, seeded No. 3, 6-4, 7-5. As a result of his victory, Ip entered the quarter-finals.

Other foreign entries scored easy triumphs with Fausto Gardini of Italy defeating Sam Ang, 6-0, 6-1, and Tony Mottram of Britain beating Alfredo Quizon, 6-0, 6-1. Armando Vieira of Brazil defeated V. San Augustin, 6-1, 6-2.

In the women's section, Mrs Tony Mottram and Liu Shang-kuo of Taiwan also scored easy wins.

Mrs Mottram, who is the defending champion, ousted Rosalina Obaco, 6-0, 6-0, and Miss Liu beat Natividad Nazareno by an identical score. —France-Press.

Wally Hammond, Patsy Hendren, Maurice Tate, Titch Freeman and Phil Mead as the attack.

But, of course, you'll say that wasn't serious football. It was serious enough for the MCC not to argue about the lads cutting up the proceeds to help to pay their expenses.

And I would say that the chance of injury in such free-for-all games was much greater than in organised Soccer. But no-one complained and plenty of other games have been played for the benefit of what the professionals so humorously refer to as the "fund for poor and distressed cricketers."

Has anyone ever suggested that cricketers shouldn't play Rugby? I can't recall it, but anytime now we may well have somebody hinting that they can only do so if they put up with their American grid iron counterparts.

There's a lad in Lancashire of cricket ability who'll probably soon be in the £6,000 to £7,000 sign-on fee class as a Rugby League man. Are there going to be cries of "murder" from Old Trafford if he takes one of those offers? I certainly hope not.

LEAVE THEM ALONE

"Because if we really get down to the fundamentals, the fact is clear that the good British sporting performer has always been an all-rounder, at least reasonably good at all the games he plays."

True, there have been suggestions that the really outstanding ones should specialise, but almost without exception they've disregarded any such directions, and I hope they'll go on doing it.

Before they bow to their cricket masters I hope Trueman and Close will give very

Len Hutton Is Voted Sportsman Of The Year

London, Feb. 9.
Len Hutton, England's professional cricket captain, has been elected Sportsman of the Year for 1957 in the national ballot organised by the "Sporting Record".

Second was Randolph Turpin, the British Middleweight Champion, and third Lieutenant Colonel Harry Llewellyn, who won Britain's only Gold Medal at Helsinki with his famous horse "Foxhunter".

Miss Jeanette Allweg, British Figure Skating Champion in the 1952 Olympic Games, received the highest number of votes in balloting for Sportsman of the Year. —Reuter.

NINE DRAGONS FIXTURES

The following are the results of the darts and table tennis first round matches of the February competition played at the Nine Dragons Service Club last Thursday.

Darts: 8 Coy RASC 'C' P. H. RE & RS Whitfield 4, Wills 'A' 2, 33 Gen Hospital 'A' 4, RASC 'Amateur' 7, RTH 5, Wills 'B' 5, Walsker 10 to 50 Sgt Snr RA.

Table Tennis: RAF Col. Tak 3, Cond Wksm REME 2, 15 Ft Pk Hqn RA 1, Walsker 10 to 50 Sgt Snr RA.

Matches for Thursday at 7 p.m. as follows: 15 Ft Pk Hqn RA v RASC 'Amateur' 7, RTH 5, Wills 'B' 5, Walsker 10 to 50 Sgt Snr RA.

Week's Programme:
Tuesday—Whit Drive 8 p.m., Cash Prizes and Snooker.
Wednesday—Film Show 8 p.m.
Thursday—Darts & Table Tennis 7 p.m.
Friday—Tombola 7.30 p.m. Snooker.
Saturday—Tombola 7.30 p.m. Snooker.

Colony Snooker And Billiards

In a Colony Open Snooker Championship game at the KCC last night, C. W. Po beat Philip Young 2-0.

In a Colony Open Billiards Championship game at the same Club, K. V. Chui beat G. A. Rometios 300-231.

In the Geo. Younger Snooker league, South China beat CPO 5-0.

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"HREST"	Feb. 10	Feb. 11	N. Africa & Europe
"FRY HILL"	Mar. 7	Mar. 7	N. Africa & Europe
"LA MARSEILLAISE"	Mar. 7	Mar. 8	Marseilles via Manila
"COURSEULLES"	Apr. 8	Apr. 8	N. Africa & Europe
"MEINAM"	Apr. 13	Apr. 13	N. Africa & Europe

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Profits Frittered Away

Geneva, Feb. 9.
Mr. R. S. Vassavada, Indian workers' delegate to the International Labour Organisation's Textile Committee, told today's meeting that Indian employers had "frittered away" wartime profits.
"During the war," he declared, "the industry had seen an unprecedented period of prosperity. The government warned the industry not to fritter away its funds and to save for hard days."
"The warning was given seriously, but was not acted upon and funds were frittered away. Now we are told that the industry faces a crisis," he said.

Steel Demand Near Balance

Cleveland, Feb. 9.
Some sellers of premium-priced steel plates are having to look for customers, indicating further movement toward supply and demand balance, Steel magazine said today.

Pointing out that dealers in high-priced steel always are the first to feel a decline in demand, the magazine added:
"While freight car builders are retreating pressure for steel plates they are, however, conversion material. They want plates, but they don't feel the situation warrants paying the high prices of conversion steel."
Galvanized sheets, extremely tight just a few months ago, also are being ordered with less zeal, the weekly report said.

The domestic supply-demand picture improved, Steel said, as additional foreign iron and steel is being offered for sale in this country.

Growth of steel shipments from Japan has forced European steel almost off the West coast market for galvanized sheets, black plate and plates," the magazine continued. "There is belief the rebuilt Japanese steel industry will mean more competition for West Coast steel producers."
Dutch foundry steel also was reported to be available on the East coast at prices not much above domestic ones.—Associated Press.

N.Y. Stock Exchange

New York, Feb. 9.
Stocks recovered sharply after heavier early losses. The final losses were generally small. The declines totaled \$1,780,000.
Of 1,177 shares traded, 312 advanced, 583 declined and 280 unchanged. The analysts attributed the action as largely technical and as further test of the lows. There was nothing in the news to affect the situation. Motors were lower. Texas and Pacific railway were down closing 123 while others were about a point lower. Movie stocks did well with gains ranging to over 1, stemming chiefly from the enthusiasm over the prospects of the new third dimension movies.

Dow Jones average at the end of the session stood as follows:
30 Industrials 281.16
20 rails 107.26
15 utilities 52.25
40 bonds 98.18
United Press.

New York Rubber Futures

New York, Feb. 9.
Prices of rubber futures closed today 44 points lower with sales totaling 57 contracts. Trading was quiet and featureless. Prices closed today as follows:
March 27.11
July 26.15 bid
September 25.75 bid
December 25.40 nominal
Spot 25.40 nominal
United Press.

LONDON TIN MARKET

London, Feb. 9.
The tin market was steady today. Turnover was 85 tons including 25 tons for cash. Prices closed today at the end of the official morning session as follows:
Spot tin, buyer 978
Spot tin, seller 980
Business done at 983-986
Three-month tin, buyer 945
Three-month tin, seller 947
Settlement 948-947
United Press.

New York, Feb. 9.
Security and commodity markets throughout the United States will be closed on Lincoln's Birthday, Thursday, February 12.—Associated Press.

Japan's Longest And Wildest Share Boom: Exchange Calls Holiday

Tokyo, Feb. 9.
The booming Japanese stock market decided to take an unprecedented holiday today because, the Securities Exchange Commission said yesterday, all hands are exhausted.
The Exchange said many workers in the Tokyo and Osaka markets are worn out from handling "too much business" in Japan's longest and wildest stock boom in history.

Several securities companies have been giving workers vitamin-enriched meals and vitamin injections, plus daily bonuses to keep on handling the terrific volume.
The market has been booming for the last 13 months, shattering records almost daily in the past 70 years.
In the past 70 years, the market has been suspended only rarely—for a declaration of war or a great earthquake.
The average of 225 issues on the Tokyo Exchange advanced from 107 Yen to 302 Yen last year. And in the last month, the average rose to 471 Yen. Most Japanese stock issues have a par value of 50 Yen.
The rise has been nearly universal. Not a few issues

Against Japanese Competition

Geneva, Feb. 9.
The special working party of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) has now almost completed its work on a draft text with regard to safeguards against possible unfair Japanese competitive practices, it was learned yesterday.
The working party has spent the past five days considering means of protecting GATT members from unfair Japanese competition and working out safeguards under which Japan could eventually become a member of the GATT.
It is understood that the draft text may be completed by today and its recommendations considered by a full meeting of the GATT inter-sessional Committee today.

After discussion before the full committee, it is possible that some announcement may be made on Thursday or Friday.—Reuter.

Chicago Grain

Chicago, Feb. 9.
Wheat futures prices slumped today to the lowest point since the start of the Korean War. Experts said: "It is just because there is too much wheat in the world." Wheat prices at the Chicago Board of Trade slumped 7 1/2 cents to \$2.17 1/2 cents per bushel. Grain exporters predicted that the Government will take over the record high amount of grain under its loan program as farmers try to avoid the low market prices.
Prices closed today as follows:
Wheat—price per bushel:
Spot 2.18 1/2
March 2.18 1/2
May 2.21 1/2
July 2.21 1/2
September 2.24 1/2
December 2.29
Corn
March 1.23 1/2
May 1.40
July 1.51 1/2
September 1.53 1/2
December 1.53 1/2
Oats
March 1.00 nominal
May 1.12
July 1.23 1/2
September 1.23 1/2
December 1.23 1/2
New York futures 200 1/2 bushels.
\$12.80 nominal—United Press.

NY Cotton Futures

New York, Feb. 9.
Prices of cotton futures closed today 5 points lower with sales totaling 158 contracts. Contract No. 6 closed today 6 points lower with sales totaling 480 contracts. Prices closed today as follows:
Contract No. 4 (world)
March 3.58 bid
May 3.57 bid
July 3.56 bid
September 3.55 bid
October 3.54 nominal
November 3.53 nominal
December 3.52 nominal
Contract No. 6
March 3.52 bid
May 3.51 bid
July 3.50 bid
September 3.49 bid
October 3.48 nominal
November 3.47 nominal
December 3.46 nominal
Spot 3.45 nominal
United Press.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON FUTURES
Spot 3.45 nominal
March 3.44 nominal
May 3.43 nominal
July 3.42 nominal
September 3.41 nominal
October 3.40 nominal
November 3.39 nominal
December 3.38 nominal
United Press.

rose several hundred per cent in a year. Nippon Cement, for instance, rose from 90 to 430, and Morinaga Confectionery 84 to 385. Only ship-pings and textiles, which have been hard hit by recession, have stayed quiet.
"Incredible" is a few hundred other issues traded on the Curb. Shown Aircraft was quoted at 100 Yen in January, 1952, when its factories were idle. With resumption of its activities, the issue went up like a jet. Now you must pay nearly 20,000 Yen to buy it on the Curb.
Until two years ago, a 5,000,000-share day was a novelty.
Now a 15,000,000-share day does not excite anybody. On February 3, 22,000,000 shares were traded in the Tokyo Exchange, in a half day session.
"Incredible" is the unanimous word murmured by all stock market veterans in Kabutocho, Japan's Wall Street, in commenting on the boom.
Only the stock market has boomed, while exports dwindled, the windfall Korean war orders slackened and practically all commodities markets have foundered.
SUCCESSIONAL SYSTEM
Speculative funds are concentrated on the stock market now that commodities markets are slumping, some professionals say.
The professionals also cite a successful investment fund system as one of the reasons for the boom. The investment fund system was reopened in June 1951 and has already drawn some 50,000,000,000 Yen from the public.
Unofficial statistics indicate that most of the subscribers to the fund are working people, who now prefer stock to deposits in a bank.
The Allied occupation broke up many huge trusts and cartels and ordered public sale of stock issues formerly held by a few wealthy families. At last this Democratisation programme seems to have blossomed into an unprecedented boom now.
Of the 225 issues, only about 50 more active issues can be traded short. All others must be paid in full with physical exchange of the certificates. And most of the stock market customers in Japan buy and sell only a few hundred shares each.

NOT MECHANISED
Moreover, the Japanese stock market is not highly mechanised. No telephone orders are taken now; most orders are filled in the application forms, and brokers must check prices by phone. There is practically no flicker-lapse.
For the past month or two workers in the securities companies worked until midnight to sort out order forms, and yet failed to do it. Today, they worked a full day on sorting out backlog.
Until last November, Japan's stock market operated five days a week and a half in December. The market decided to take a half holiday on Wednesday. On January 29, the market eliminated all afternoon sessions. Last week, a further 30 minutes were clipped from the remaining morning sessions. And now the market has closed down for a full day on Monday.
The record business of 22,000,000 shares on February 3 does not show the real amount of trading. Although it is illegal, some securities companies are known to balance buy and sell orders within the office, passing on only the differences to the market. The real business is simply stupendous.—Associated Press.

Canada's Exports Soar
Winnipeg, Feb. 9.
Canadian exports for the present fiscal year will be about \$4,000,000,000, said \$4,500,000,000, Finance Minister Douglas Abbott reported. This would be five times the pre-World War II figure.
The Finance Minister was guest speaker at the concluding session of the National Liberal Progressive Association's annual convention last night. He said capital expansion in the Dominion, largely financed by private investment, amounted to \$25,000,000,000 in the past three years.
Capital flow from outside sources, principally the United States, had been high during this period. But what Canada had lost and invested abroad exceeded the total foreign investment here.
Mr. Abbott said there is an opportunity for saving in the Defence Department. However, he did not believe the Department was extravagant.—Associated Press.

Second Best In History
New York, Feb. 9.
Major American Petroleum companies had their second highest earnings in history last year, topped only by 1951, industry sources report. Net income of the 37 leaders in 1952 was estimated at \$2,015,000,000, down 3.6 per cent from the \$2,089,000,000 reported in 1951.
U.S. petroleum consumption in 1952 reached a record 7.7 million barrels daily, an increase of 1.4 per cent over 1951. The industry expects an additional four per cent increase in consumption this year.
The industry spent an estimated \$3.5 billion on expansion last year, and plans to increase the sum to over \$3.8 billion this year.—Associated Press.

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HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

Business was inclined to be slack on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning. The transactions reported being of the value of \$185,000.30. Noon quotations were:
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Just Like A Honeymoon

THEY met in a mental hospital. She was there as a voluntary patient, having some nerve-trouble cleared up; he came from the Army to be cured of a similar disorder.

In those unlikely surroundings they fell in love with each other—she, a pretty brunette, with a twinkling nose and laughing eyes and he, a dapper, small man, brown-haired and with a neatly-trimmed moustache. Her name was Patricia, his, James.

There came the day when the doctors examined James and declared him cured of his illness. He packed his bags, and made his farewells to the hospital staff, and tenderly bade good-bye to Patricia. Then he went off to find himself work and fit himself into the strange world of civilians.

PATRICIA watched him go away, and now there was no longer any laughter in her eyes. For with James gone, the hospital, that had for so long seemed like a second home to her, assumed a quite new aspect. Now, it was like a prison, and though she had plenty of company, Patricia felt as desolate and lonely as if she had been in solitary confinement.

The hands of the hospital clock toiled round the dial, and when James had been gone for an hour, it seemed to Patricia that his absence had lasted for months. At last, she could stand the loneliness no longer. She packed her bags, shrugged off the good advice that was proffered, quit the hospital, and went in search of James.

She soon found him, and one week later, at a registry office, Patricia and James were married.

JAMES by now had a porter's job in a hotel on the outskirts of London. He explained his new status to the management, and they kindly took on Patricia to work as a chambermaid.

It was an admirable arrangement, but, unfortunately, the arrangement did not last for very long. James was good at his job, but Patricia often fell down on hers, for—she was secretly—she was not enough yet to do it. There were complaints about her, warnings, and one day James and Patricia had to pack their bags again and leave the hotel.

They came to London, and when the little money, they possessed was gone, James, the masterful husband now, suggested a means of coming by more. "We'll go to Sidcup," he said, "and steal something. Must be plenty to steal in a place like Sidcup."

The couple took single tickets to the target area. When they got there Patricia said: "I don't think we should steal."

"All right," said James, accommodatingly. "I got another idea, then. If we go back to London without a ticket the coppers'll pick us up, then some court'll probably find us a job, see?"

THIS plan worked very well up to a point. It landed the couple in the dock at Bow Street next morning, and there James explained to Mr. Bertram Reece what he expected of the court.

"This isn't an employment bureau, not in the sense you mean," said the magistrate. He ordered Patricia and James to be remanded for a week for inquiries to be made about them.

When next they appeared, their stories were told in detail to the magistrate, and Miss Hamilton, the probation officer, said that the couple had friends in Leeds, who would shelter them. "I could speed them on their way," she said.

The magistrate thought for a moment or two, then agreed that Miss Hamilton should do as she had suggested. The couple were shown from the dock.

Presently, they were seen into the train for Yorkshire at King's Cross, and this time each clutched a ticket for the journey, and money they had been given jingled in James's pocket. The laughter was back in Patricia's eyes, and a grin spread below James's neat moustache. Except that there was no coffee, and only a probation officer to see them off, they might have been a honeymoon couple.

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OUR AUSTRALIAN NEWSLETTER

The Good Earth Continues To Yield Rich Minerals

By H. KING WOOD

Sydney, Feb. 6.

Just as Nature, for some unknown reason, continues to look after us and produces magnificent crops from the soil (our present wheat harvest is a near-record from the smallest acreage since 1923) so the land itself contains most of those things which, properly exploited, must in time make this a really great country.

Mines Director of the Northern Territory, R. W. Coxon, has reported that mines in Arnhem Land could well produce more than £1-million worth of ores in the next five years.

Experts, he said, were investigating rich and extensive silver lead deposits in an area, which already contains the richest known bauxite deposits in Australia. In the Northern Territory, too, is the largest known find of uranium in the world.

In NSW the Minister for Mines, Mr. Arthur, has announced that his officers have located in the last five years fields of about 250-million tons of coal. All is of good quality and much could be worked by cheap, open cut methods.

And for amateur miners.... In an outback NSW town, two fossicking miners struck a lode of tin which returned them £1,000 in two days. Reports rate it the richest tin find in the State.

Four South Australian wolfram mines have earned £9,380 for three months' work at the Green Diamond Mine, near Alice Springs in Central Australia. Last week they put 50 tons of ore through the Government crusher, taking out seven tons of wolfram worth £1,340 a ton. In two years the mine has returned the men over £28,000.

FAME BUT NO FUTURE

There was fame, but no future in life for the pig that brought the record price of £61 at a recent livestock sale.

Said the auctioneer: "You've never seen a pig like this one. The butchers just couldn't keep their eyes off her."

"She was a picture."

A pork butcher bought her, looked her over, gave her a friendly pat on the rump and announced:

"We'll turn her into sausages."

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THE NEW DANGER

Major General F. W. Kirby said this week that a new dangerous enemy was slowly rising in the Pacific.

General Kirby, deputy official war historian of Britain, is here gathering material from Australian sources who took part in the Pacific war.

"This new aggressor is creeping steadily southwards," he told a vast radio audience. He does not rely solely on military power to get his objectives. Some call it the cold war.

"We still attempt to fight this cold war with economic weapons alone. Admittedly the Colombo Plan is very necessary, but it only goes half way."

"Somewhat surprisingly, all things considered, the Minister for the Navy and Air, Mr. McMahon, sees things somewhat differently. He believes that the democratic countries, headed by Britain and US, would have a decisive advantage over Communist countries in scientific knowledge in the event of war."

Although the Communists have vast armies I cannot believe that for many years to come they will be able to compete on level terms with US and UK in the scientific field."

Mr. McMahon said Russia and China together had ambitions in the Far East, but he did not see any immediate concern or danger.

"I regard it as a long term problem. We are faced with the need to see that our defence effort is prolonged into the future."

INTRIGUING PUZZLE
Restricted buying of Australian wool by America this season and the persistent heavy purchases by Japanese interests is now the most intriguing puzzle of the industry.

Wool manager of one of Australia's leading brokers said it was believed America was obtaining her supplies through Japan.

"The usual buyers for US are picking up a few selected lots here and there," he said, "but their general inactivity is baffling the trade. Fortunately, the market has not been adversely affected."

A significant factor is that although US consumes more wool than any other country, shipments from Australia in the first five months of the current season total only 24-million lb of gross merino.

It was 51-million for the corresponding period last season. Japan's imports of Australian wool has increased to 54-million lb, making her Australia's third best customer.

Absence of large-scale US buying cannot be attributed to dear prices because US dominated the market in the post-war boom years of 1950-51. Values are exactly half now of what they were then.

A Bondi (Sydney suburb) mother, accustomed to forcing her way through shopping crowds, has equipped her baby's pram with a toy car horn.

HER ONLY FEAR

An Australian sailor's Japanese wife said on her arrival yesterday that the only thing she was frightened of in this country was sharks.

She is Mrs. Kay Little, one of five Japanese brides who arrived in the Changite.

"I am not a bit worried about starting a new life here, but I am worried about your sharks," she said.

Mrs. Little, who met her husband's people when the ship berthed, will live in Sydney. The other four wives, who were with their husbands, will live in different States.

The External Affairs Dept is to discuss with the Japanese Ambassador Japanese plans to resume large-scale pearl-shell fishing off Australia's north-west coast. It is likely that these talks will result in a fishing convention between the two countries.

Australian authorities fear that Japanese operations will have serious economic repercussions on the Australian pearling industry—at present a very good dollar earner.

QUIET CAMPAIGN
New South Wales is nearing the end of the quietest election campaign on record. Labour, on the Treasury benches for the last 12 years, is stumping the electorate like old masters, in full of confidence that its present embarrassing small majority of two will be bumped up considerably.

The Liberals, contesting fewer seats than for many years, are concentrating their fire power on swinging seats, hope to be able to cross the floor and at long last give Opposition Leader Vernon Trent a chance to be Premier.

It is fairly certain that if he cannot win this time he is out for good; someone else will be leading the Party at the next election.

And to wind up... A 26-year-old man traded his £500 launch for a meal and a packet of cigarettes after a bad weekend in Port Phillip Bay.

"I had so much trouble with the launch that I decided to give it to the first person who would give me a meal, a packet of cigarettes and drive me home," he said.

Mysteriously Disappears



Berlin newspapers recently reported the strange disappearance of Wilhelm Koenen, President of the National Front, the biggest Communist Mass Organisation in the Eastern Zone of Germany. It is believed that his disappearance has something to do with the recent "clean up" among the politicians of the GDR. He is a member of Ulbricht and Pieck's Party the SED and it is believed that he is now with friends in the Western Sectors.—London Express.

British Flood Disaster Fund

Total as at 4 p.m. yesterday—Sterling £25-10-0, US\$40.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. ...	20
Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Reid ...	50
Mr. A. D. Breingan ...	50
Anonymous ...	50
Anonymous ...	25
Mr. & Mrs. R. H. J. Brooks ...	25
Mrs. Winifred Flynn ...	20
Mr. & Mrs. Roy B. Anderson ...	20
Anonymous ...	10
Alison ...	10
Mr. J. H. Scott ...	100
Mrs. G. T. Lloyd ...	25
Mr. & Mrs. R. H. Robertson ...	250

Total at 11 a.m. today HK\$5,785

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

"She Stoops To Conquer"

Sir,—Your critic of "She Stoops To Conquer" complained that he "could not forget that the players were ACTING a play." He was not supposed to forget it. The naturalistic manner is a twentieth-century innovation. This play was written in the eighteenth century when the conventions of the theatre were quite different. If we are to be criticised let us at least be criticised on reasonable grounds and not for not doing something which it would have been wrong to attempt. You can't use the same style for Goldsmith and Rattigan, and a critic should be prepared for some pretty considerable differences and not go to every play with the same set of preconceptions.

If "She Stoops To Conquer" never loses the tang of the Sixteenth Form Dramatic Group for your critic, then he is to be pitied. If each new reading or performance—however mediocre—of any play does not add to his understanding of it, then he is to be pitied—but he is hardly fit for employment as a dramatic critic.

And surely it might have occurred to him that the most likely reason that the candles were not lit was that we were not allowed to light them? Mr. Hardcastle is not Tony Lumpkin's father.

D. H. J.

Tug Sent To Rescue Of Freighter

Arrangements were made this morning to send a tug to rescue the Panamanian freighter La Colorado which ran aground off Tourane, Indo-China at about 2 p.m. today when on route to Hongkong from Singapore.

Ming Sung Industrial Co. Ltd., owners of the 2,474-ton vessel said the La Colorado was in ballast.

In command of the motor vessel is Capt. B. H. Chow.

Meanwhile, the "Norwegian" freighter Prosper, which grounded off Lamong Pass, on south-east of Lyemung Pass, on Saturday night, is still stranded.

A lighter is alongside taking on cargo from the distressed ship. Eight other lighters, sent out on Monday to bring back some 400 tons of cargo, returned last night.

Rescue tugs are standing by off the Prosper to carry out salvage operations.

The Prosper was on her way to Bangkok when she ran ashore.

Deportee Found Gambling

Chung Yam, a 23-year-old stall roki, of 10 Tai On Terrace, second floor, was fined \$10 for gambling in the streets, and sentenced to three months hard labour for breach of a deportation order by Mr. R. W. S. Winter at Central today.

Two others, Ng Ching-fai, 23, stall roki and Lam Sheung-ping, 30, barber were each fined \$10 each for gambling in the street.

Sub-Inspector R. A. Patterson, prosecuting, said that the defendants were found playing "Sam Kung" at 10.20 p.m. on Monday at Wilkes Street near Des Voeux Road West.

Radio Hongkong

11.15 p.m. Programme Summary: 8.02, Melody with the stars; 8.30, Nothing But Music; 9.00, Signal, World News and News (London); 9.15, Weather Report; 9.30, La Demi-Heure Francophone; 9.45, Letter from America; 10.00, Allstar Cooke (London Hello); 10.15, Piano Playtime by Kenneth Dinsley (Concert Hall); 10.30, Musical Notebook presented by the late Father T. J. Ryan; 10.45, The Swandee and Low-Robert Shaw Chorale; 10.55, The Ballet—Les Follies; 11.00, The Ballet—Les Follies; 11.15, The Ballet—Les Follies; 11.30, The Ballet—Les Follies; 11.45, The Ballet—Les Follies; 12.00, Goodnight Music; 12.15, The Queen; 12.30, Close Down.

COURT ACTION OVER CARBON BLACK

Allegations that the carbon black supplied by defendants did not bear the label contracted for were made in a claim by Wing Yip Hong, merchants, of 83 Connaught Road, Central, for return of \$30,755 deposit paid, before the Paine Judge, Mr Justice Reece, in the Supreme Court this morning.

Plaintiffs are also claiming loss of profit or difference between the contract and market prices on five metric tons of "Meteor" carbon black, at 10 cents per lb, amounting to \$1,023.80, and damages for breach of contract.

Defendants are the United Trade Developments Ltd, merchants, of 1 Duddell Street.

Appearing for plaintiffs is Mr. Patrick Yu, instructed by Hastings and Company. Mr. Oswald V. Cheung, instructed by Mr. P. L. Lam represents defendants.

The statement of claim stated: By a contract in writing dated August 13, 1951, defendants sold and agreed to ship from Germany and deliver to the plaintiffs in Hongkong five metric tons of carbon black "Meteor" at \$6.20 per lb. In accordance with the terms of the contract, plaintiffs paid to defendants \$30,755 in part payment of the purchase price. Plaintiffs, as defendants well knew, required the goods for resale in Hongkong at a profit. Plaintiffs were unable to purchase similar goods on the market and were unable to supply their customers and lost a profit they would have made on resale.

THE DEFENCE

The statement of defence stated: Defendants duly shipped the goods which arrived on December 21, 1951. Plaintiffs were notified. On January 3, 1952, plaintiffs intimated intention of not taking delivery on the ground that the goods were not carbon black "Meteor" but "Double Chain" carbon black. They finally rejected the goods.

"Double Chain" was merely defendants' own label as importers and such label, if so desired, could have been easily removed. Defendants say plaintiffs committed breach of the contract by not accepting the goods and in consequence they are entitled to forfeit such deposit of \$30,755.

Mr. Yu said that upon inspection of the goods by the plaintiffs, they were found to bear a different brand. As a result plaintiffs refused to accept the goods.

Counsel said that the defence statement suggested that the goods were in fact "Meteor" although labelled "Double Chain", and plaintiffs were compelled to accept essentially the same goods.

Mr. Yu referred to clause 8 of the contract which provided that the buyers should accept substitutes shipped by the suppliers in quantity and price. These were the two points that the Court should decide upon, Counsel said.

After referring to the law, Mr. Yu submitted that plaintiffs were under no obligation to accept the goods which bore a different brand.

NOT HELD BY CLAUSE

He further submitted that although his clients signed the contract they were not held and bound by clause 8 for two reasons, namely: That the clause was essentially a clause trying to deprive plaintiffs of the right to receive the goods bargained for and that the clause did not operate against his clients, and Counsel cited authorities to support his contentions.

Man Po-hon in evidence said he was an employee of the plaintiff firm. He had been buying and selling carbon black for six years.

Witness said that accompanied by a surveyor and a representative from the defendant firm he inspected the goods and found that the brand on them was "Double Chain" and not "Meteor". He added that the "Meteor" was for resale to a factory in Hongkong and defendants knew of this fact.

Cross examined by Mr. Cheung, witness denied that the price of "Meteor" was \$5 per lb. The price of \$6.20 was the price offered them by the buyers.

Counsel suggested that the reason why plaintiffs did not take delivery of the goods was that the price had fallen to \$4 per lb and that even at that price there was no demand. Witness denied the suggestion, and said that the reason for their refusal to accept was because the goods bore a different brand.

Hearing is continuing.

Attempted To Dupe Woman

The story of how a country woman was nearly duped out of her money and jewellery was told before Mr. R. W. S. Winter at Central this morning when Chan Chau, a 43-year-old unemployed, was sentenced to 18 months hard labour for larceny by trick, and breach of a deportation order.

Sub-Inspector G. A. D. Rich told the Court that at 11 a.m. on Monday the defendant was approached by the complainant, Ng Kau-ling, at the Yau-mat Vehicular Ferry pier to enquire for the correct ferry to Chungshan.

Defendant told her that she would have to produce her identity card, besides registering all her money and jewellery with him. He led the complainant to the Gloucester Building where he took \$80 and a gold ring valued at \$80. Chan told the complainant to wait outside while he registered the valuables, as she had no shoes on and therefore could not be admitted into the office.

Complainant became suspicious and followed Chan. Seeing him about to walk out of another exit, she ran and caught him. A watchman on duty arrested the defendant. All the valuables were recovered.

UNLICENSED PC DRIVER

Police Constable Tsui Ying-tung was fined \$300 by Mr. D. F. O'Reilly Mayne at Kowloon this morning for driving a car without a licence and without third party insurance.

The owner of the private car No. HK1034, Ho Wai-ming, was fined \$100 for permitting an unlicensed driver to drive it.

The offences were discovered as a result of a general check-up in Clearwater Bay Road by the Police on February 4.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Two of their boys were drafted—now we know they'll have room if we want to visit them in the spring!"

Living Language

Why we say Arena.
An "arena" is any place where a personal conflict takes place, man to man. Hence the House of Commons is termed "a political arena." The word comes from the Latin arena, signifying sand, from the sand strewn on the floor of the Coliseum of ancient Rome to absorb the blood of combatants.

Mail Notices

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10
By Air

Indo-China, France, French North & West Africa, 4.30 p.m., Air Vietnam.
Philippines, Guam, Hawaii, U.S.A., Canada, 5 p.m., P.A.L.
Malaya, Ceylon, Sumatra, Pakistan, Middle East, Great Britain, Europe, 6 p.m., B.O.A.C.

Macao, 9 a.m., 5 p.m., as Lee Hong/Tak Shing.
Korea, Japan, India, Aden, Middle East, Great Britain, Europe, 5 p.m., as Corby.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11
By Air

Formosa, Japan, 9 a.m., via C.A.T.
Philippines, Guam, Hawaii, U.S.A., Canada, 5 p.m., P.A.L.
Malaya, Ceylon, Sumatra, Pakistan, Middle East, U.S.A., (New York), Canada, 6 p.m., H.K.A./N.V.A.
Indo-China, (Tientsin only), 4.30 p.m., C.P.A.

Macao, 9 a.m., 5 p.m., as Lee Hong/Tak Shing.
China, French Republic, 6.30 a.m., train via Canton.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12
By Air

Formosa, 9 a.m., via C.A.T.
Philippines, Guam, Hawaii, U.S.A., Canada, 5 p.m., P.A.L.
Malaya, Ceylon, Sumatra, Pakistan, Middle East, U.S.A., (New York), Canada, 6 p.m., H.K.A./N.V.A.

RICHLY REWARDED SOLUTION

IT is not difficult to guess the answer to this puzzle. But it is not so easy to solve mathematically. If the side of the larger cube is m inches, and the side of the smaller, n inches, then $(m-n)^2 = (m+n)^2 - 4mn$. But m and n are integers, so $(m-n)^2$ is 1, 9 or 25. If m and n have no integral solution, for $(m-n)^2 = (m+n)^2 - 4mn$ $+4mn$, and $4mn$ becomes 4, 36 or 100. Hence m is 2 and n is 1. Therefore the answer is 1000 cubic inches.
London Express Service.